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### McCall Leads Drive For Mississippi College

PLANS AGGRESSIVE RALLY OF STATE-WIDE FORCES

Dr. D. A. "Scotchie" McCall, and the aggressive organization which he heads as executive secretary of the State Baptist Convention Board are being thrown into the current campaign to raise enlargement funds for Mississippi College.

Baptist leaders, meeting in Jackson the past week-end, voted unanimously to turn the direction of the drive over to Dr. McCall.

The excellent progress already made in raising funds to expand the usefulness of the college at Clinton is certain to be continued and pressed to a successful finish, denominational leaders believe.

Announcement of the selection of Dr. McCall was made yesterday following a meeting of the local steering committee with Dr. McCall. This committee is composed of Dr. D. M. Nelson, president of the college; T. M. Hederman, Sr., chairman of the board of trustees; Attorney General Greek L. Rice, member of the board; Dr. R. B. Gunter, Rankin county pastor and former executive secretary; A. L. Goodrich, editor of The Baptist Record, and J. A. Travis, promotional director.

In assuming the post, Dr. McCall revealed plans for launching a state-wide series of meetings in an effort to thoroughly acquaint the people of the state with the intensified campaign program. No pledges will be sought at these meetings.

Fifteen Meetings Scheduled

Fifteen district meetings will be conducted by Dr. McCall, Dr. Nelson and Dr. Gunter, who is chairman of the large gifts committee.

The schedule of these meetings appears on another page of this issue.

Briefly reviewing the accomplishments of the campaign to date, Dr. McCall said that nearly \$200,000 of the \$600,000 sought had been raised. Most of this was raised in Jackson, where an intensified drive was conducted several months ago.

Dr. Caudill To Visit

Foreign Fields

The \$600,000 is to be divided as follows: \$150,000, new administration building; \$150,000, girls' dormitory, and \$300,000, endowment fund. The plans are to endow the Dr. J. W. Provine Chair of Chemistry, Dr. M. O. Patterson Chair of Ministry and Evangelism and the Aven-Latimer Chair of Ancient Languages.

Despite his already heavily-burdened shoulders, Dr. McCall accepted the responsibility of directing the campaign with a spirit of enthusiasm and deep determination to carry the program through to its goal.

"We Cannot Afford to Fail"
"Mississippi Baptists and friends,"
Dr. McCall said yesterday, "cannot afford to fail. We will not fail, of

course. We have acquired the habit (Continued on Page Two)

### Washington Review

By Larston D. Farrar Religious News Service Correspondent

The First Baptist Church of Memphis, Tennessee, plans to send their pastor, Dr. R. Paul Caudill, on a series of annual missionary journeys which will eventually cover our entire foreign mission work.

Dr. Caudill's first journey will be Washington, D. C.—President Truman's proposals for universal military training do not appear to have won any more enthusiasm among organized church groups here than they did when he made them in person

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Dr. Caudill's first journey will be to South America sometime during 1945.

These missionary journeys will be made in connection with our Foreign Mission Board; the board arranging the itineraries and contacts, the church taking care of all expenses.

The First Baptist Church believes that in arranging these missionary journeys for their pastor they are making a worthwhile investment for the church as well as a substantial contribution to our world mission program.

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out of respect for the President, or because it was felt that an immediate reply was not necessary, or for both reasons, neither congressmen nor churchmen for the most part commented immediately on Truman's proposals. But individual attitudes made it clear that few of the oppon-

training had changed their minds.

Myron C. Taylor, the President's special envoy to the Vatican, is not expected to return. He has been

ents of universal compulsory military

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DIRECTS MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE CAMPAIGN



Dr. D. A. (Scotchie) McCall, Executive Secretary of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, has been selected as general director of the statewide Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign. Assuming the new responsibility, Dr. McCall announced plans for a statewide series of 15 district meetings for the week of December 3-7 to acquaint the people of the state with the purpose of the program.

### Hewith Resigns, Board To Select Successor Soon

The First Baptist Church of Jackson, one of Mississippi's largest congregations, has accepted the resignation of its beloved pastor, Dr. W. A. Hewitt, who retires because he feels that his physical strength is no longer equal to the increasing duties of the pastorate.

The chairman of the board of deacons has been instructed to name a committee of nine members, to be known as "the pulpit committee," and the body is instructed to find a suitable successor for Dr. Hewitt. There will also be an "advisory committee," composed of all officers of the church, to confer with the "pulpit committee," relative to the pastor who will be recommended to the full membership of the church for election

Dr. Hewitt's resignation becomes effective the first Sunday in January.

Dr. Hewitt was named as pastor emeritus, without duties of any kind, and is to receive a salary of \$2,400 per year during the remainder of his life. If Mrs. Hewitt survives Dr. (Continued on Page Two)

### Doors Open In Japan

We are happy to send you herewith the following message of greeting just received from Rev. Yugoro Chiba, former president of Japanese Baptist Conventio, at a conference of Japanese Baptist leaders and Baptist U. S. Army chaplains held in Tokyo, Japan, November 2, 1945. This very significant message indicates that Baptists are face-to-face with the greatest missionary opportunity we have ever known in Japan.—Editor).

By the wonderful providence of God, Japan came to see new days. The old Japan was destroyed and thrown away on the 15th of last August; and the new Japan has since been inaugurated in hope and in

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### A FAVORITE SERMON



T. E. SWEARINGEN

### Christ, The Head Of The Church

Rev. T. E. Swearingen

(Preached at Greene County Association.)

Who is the head of the institution called the church? Some would tell us that it is the pope in Rome; he claims to be the head. From the way some preachers act one might take it that they feel they are the head. Some deacons, judging by their dictatorial policies feel that all the members should bow to them. Some men of wealth or position desire to run the church according to their own opinions. But Paul writes the truth that we all should mark well: "Christ is the head of the church..."

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#### **FAVORITE SERMON**

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Note some lessons:

I. As head of the church, He gives life to the church. "He gave Himself for it" (v. 25). The church is made up of regenerated individuals; people imbued with a new life from above; people who have died to the old life and risen to walk in newness of life. (Romans 6:4.) "But you hath He quickened" is Paul's way of saying # (Eph. 2:1). Through His infinite sacrifice and power the warm blood of righteousness and life flows through the spiritual veins of the church and every member of it. The church is not an organization but a growing "organism." It grows, it lives, because of the One who died for it, because of His broken body and shed blood on Calvary. This institution lives at its highest and has its influence reaching out to its widest in proportion to its recognition of this sacrifice and the living of the new principles that come with the new life from above.

II. As head of the church, He issues orders. (Matt. 28:19, 20; Acts 1:8.)

1. He has a plan for the church and every member of it. The need to recognize this truth cannot be stressed too much. Christ would work out through the church His scheme of redemption, His plan to save the whole world from sin. He has a place for every individual to serve in His Kingdom. One who doesn't find this place and fill it, misses the career Christ plans for him to follow; he fails to do the thing for which he was born into the world.

2. Christ has the right to dictate how the church shall do and to direct the paths of men to achieve His purpose on earth. He has power to command and commission. It is to the credit of men to obey His commands without question.

3. The plans of a church, local, should be worked out in fervent prayer with an open Bible before them. No plans should be used that are at variance with the New Testament. The Bible is our sufficient and authoritative guide to faith and practice. We need not the wishes of mere men.

III. As head of the church, she is responsible to Him.

1. We are held responsible to know and to do His will. "Be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is" (Eph. 5:17). And what is it? To establish His rule of love in the heart of the individual; that it shall hold sway in the soul of immediate society; that it shall spread to the uttermost parts of the earth. Let not the individual soul forget that he has a tremendous responsibility to know and to do this will.

2. The church is held responsible to Him alone. The individuals who compose the church are not accountable to some man, but directly to Christ. "God gave Him to be the head of all things to the church" (Eph. 1:22). Who or where is that man who would behead Christ and take His place as the head of this institution and command people of the Kingdom to report to him? The place of an association is only that of a co-operative and advisory capacity. It is not in its province to give commands, to issue orders, etc. It can only suggest plans and proce-

#### DOORS OPEN IN JAPAN

(Continued From Page One) future prosperity. Externally her size became small and narrow, but internally and spiritually she has grown much bigger and deeper than ever before. The changes it has brought about are phenomenal, and whichever direction we may turn our face they are seen already in politics, education industry, and over all other spheres of national life.

Among these changes, the most noticeable ones are the cry for democracy and freedom and for international friendship. We had long been suffering under the yoke of militarism and despotism and shut up within a small cell of nationalism. Now, thanks be to God, we are free and are facing a better and brighter future.

At the same time, we cannot but realize that our responsibility as the followers of the Lord Jesus Christ has been much increased. The new Japan needs Christianity more than ever before; for we believe democracy without Christian principles behind it, or under it, is dangerous. Freedom without restraint of truth is tyranny; internationalism without God is vain. Who can imagine the world-brotherhood without the faith in God, the Father? Brotherhood without the Father is nonsense.

So we are especially glad to have our Christian brethren from America who are sowing the seed of the gospel truth wherever they go. May we join our hands and hearts together to extend His Kingdom on earth!

Since the outbreak of war about 500 Christian churches and institutions in Japan were destroyed by bombs; about one-tenth of them belonged to the Baptist group. Christian people are scattered and are in a state of sojourn all over the country, but, grateful to say, very few lives were destroyed. Only three Baptist pastors lost their lives as far as we know. The rebuilding of these burned churches and the gathering of scattered Christian life is our immediate task; as well as the extension of His Kingdom at this very opportune time. So we need your prayers and your co-operation. Please convey our hearty friendship and good will to our Baptist friends in America; and tell them that we are grateful for what they have done for Japan in the past; and that their work which they began seventy years ago has not been finished; and the seeds they have sown have rooted deep in the life of the people. Though they are small in number and feeble in strength, they feel strong in the Lord, and are ever ready to fight the good fight of faith.

dures. Reports to an association are only indicative of the state of the individual church; they are not made in response to demands by the association. As a church makes a good report, it indicates that it is to that extent finding and following the commission of the Christ, the head of the church.

We might go on and delineate on the thoughts that the church should honor Christ as her head; that it should follow His example, etc., but space forbids. In launching out into a new century for Christ, let us ponder deeply our relationship to Him as head of the church and give our best to Him Who loved us and gave Himself for us.

#### McCALL LEADS DRIVE FOR MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

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of success and must accomplish the
objectives of this campaign,"

He pointed out that Mississippi College, which has so faithfully served the youth of the state for 119 years, is the dean of Baptist institutions and down through the years has produced leading ministers and Christian laymen.

The Mississippi State Baptist Convention, in annual session here recently, re-emphasized and re-endorsed the entire program of the college. Under the inspiration of the Convention, plans are maturing to throw the whole might of the Baptist denomination into the speedy completion of the enlargement campaign.

By a unanimous vote, the board of trustees of Mississippi College asked the Executive Committee of the State Convention Board to permit its able and busy secretary, Dr. McCall, to serve as general director of the state-wide campaign. The committee unanimously consented to grant this request. Meanwhile, full support to the campaign has been pledged by the Mississippi College board of trustees, the president, faculty, student body and employees.

General Organization the Same
The overall general organization
will remain the same with J. A.
Travis continuing as general promotion director, and A. L. Goodrich,
Baptist Record editor, as publicity
director. Baptists all over the state
are organized into district, county,
city, church and pastor groups, all
seeking a great end to the campaign.
Methods of contribution to the campaign are by cash, pledges and
through church budgets.

District chairmen of the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign are as follows: District 3, Forest G. Cooper, Indianola; District 4, George J. Thornton, Kosciusko; District 5, Judge Percy M. Lee, Forest; District 6, Dr. Leroy E. Green, Pascagoula; District 7, W. D. Lofton, Brookhaven, and District 8, Ross R. Barnett, Jackson.

### WASHINGTON REVIEW

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home for more than three months
now, has reported to the President
twice, is still in this country. One
informed newspaperman, returning
from Rome, said he believes that
Taylor's attaches there will handle
American-Vatican relations until
Taylor resigns.

Rep. John C. Kunkel (R-Pa) who introduced a joint resolution providing that the period from Thanksgiving to Christmas be made "national Bibleis still "hopeful" that his reading time." bill will be enacted into law before Thanksgiving. Senator Harry F. Byrd (D-Va) who introduced a similar resolution in the Senate, is not so hopeful. ... Washington church organizations were chagrined to learn that one out of 12 babies born in the District of Columbia in the first eight months of this year were illegitimate. . . . Washington is "the wettest city and has more liquor per capita than any other city in the nation," declared Dr. W. S. Abernethy, pastor emeritus of the Calvary Baptist Church at a temperance meeting here. And he offered Bureau of Internal Revenue figures to prove it. . . . The ministers of Greenwood, Miss., have petitioned Congress to speed demobilization of ministers in service, as well as "youthful candidates" for the ministry.



Blue Mountain, Miss., Nov. 15—Miss Dorothy Lee Jefferson, Inverness, and Miss Mary Anne Durham, Itta Bena, have been elected campus favorites at Blue Mountain College. They will be featured in the Mountaineer, the college yearbook. The campus and class favorites are selected on the basis of outstanding scholarship, leadership, and other accomplishment.s

#### HEWITT RESIGNS, BOARD TO SELECT SUCCESSOR SOON

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Hewitt, she is to receive an allotment of \$1,200 per year for the remainder of her life.

The resolutions adopted by the church will appear in next week's issue.

Rev. L. S. Polk, Mississippi College student, has accepted the pastorate of East Side church, Rankin county.



### Mississippi Baptists---Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails," 1. Cor. 13:8b

"When Jesus saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion on them," Matthew 9:35-36.

Let every church, institution and individual see that all contributions and offerings come through the Convention Board office that the churches of our Christ may receive the testimony therefrom!

### EIGHT RECOMMENDATIONS BY THE MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD

November 12, 1945

1. That 1946 be emphasized as a year for preaching the gospel in every clurch as we have not preached it before, and in every school house, at every crossroads, on the streets, under brush arbors, and figuratively on every hill and in every hollow in Mississippi as we may find ourselves able under the hand of the Lord.

2. That the Convention Board work out plans and supplement this preaching program financially, looking toward holding at least ten revivals

in unchurched areas in every association in Mississippi.

3. That we set as a suggested goal not less than 100,000 tithers among

3. That we set as a suggested goal not less than 100,000 tithers among Mississippi Baptists for 1946, that the Word of God may be given financial support from the local church to the ends of the earth.

4. That we accept our responsibility in the enlarged Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists as already published.

5. That the Convention Board be authorized to study details of the Widows' Supplementary Plan, and make plans for making it effective in Mississippi.

6. That we press increased participation in the Ministers' Retirement Plan

on the part of both pastors and churches.

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7. That we recognize the importance of giving increased financial support to Foreign Missions, our seminaries, a strong financial support for all causes, state and Southwide, and the necessity for strengthening and expanding all departments of our work.

8. A motion made by Norman W. Cox and seconded by H. L. Martin was passed unanimously, asking that the chair appoint a committee to look thoroughly into the matter and take what steps are necessary to clear up the whole legal status of the Convention Board and the possibility of its being incorporated under the laws of Mississippi, and that this be made item 8 of the recommendations of the Convention Board.

The Convention unanimously adopted these resolutions.

II

Many important actions were taken by the 1945 session of the Mississippi Baptist Convention. We desire to comment on two of the most important at this time.

First, the year 1946 is to be known as a preaching year. Mississippi Baptists will respond to this primary spiritual and scriptural functon of preaching the gospel. "In those days came John the Baptist preaching." Matthew 3:1. "From that time Jesus began to preach." Matthew 4:17. "And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ." Acts 8:4. "Then Phillip . . . began . . . and preached unto him Jesus." Acts 8:35. "I am ready to preach the gospel to you that are at Rome also." Romans 1:15. "For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel; not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made to none effect. For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God." "For after that in the wisdom of God the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." "But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness." I. Cor. 1:17, 18, 21, 23. "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue and people." Revelation 14:6.

We do not have to argue with Baptists about the primacy of preaching,

but certainly, we need a re-emphasis at this point.

For some reason Baptists did not respond to the Centennial Crusade idea. We do not know why. We do know it was a spiritual tragedy. In many places, Dr. Bell, evangelistic director, and other directors were met with objections, indifference, defeatism, and such like instead of with a warm spiritual sympathy, looking toward winning a multitude to the Lord. We do not doubt that Southwide and state leaders have failed again and again, but in the first and last analysis the pastors and churches will put over any Kingdom program that is put over. As pastor for twenty years we learned that. The best that denominational leaders may do is help create an atmosphere and supplement in some ways the local work. If you will look at the published list of baptisms of churches, you will see how we are failing in evangelism. Many of the churches of our Lord are not giving time to this primary task. If Baptists are to walk New Testament ways we are to preach the gospel as we have never preached before. Other denominations are majoring on social reforms, temperance, Sabbath observance and such like. If we are spiritual, we must be for these things, but they are rather inclusive in a regenerate church membership life.

Second, the committee authorized looking toward unifying the program and plans of our colleges, will bring untold good to the colleges themselves and the denomination as a whole. Baptists can make it work. That plan and no other plan will work of itself. May our God have mercy upon us as

a people if we do not solve this problem.

Our denominational institutions have excellent buildings, many of our churches are housed in elegant structures, while others are planning them. We need to remember that brick and mortar are not the real issues, but human personalities. We need to remember that spiritual life and spiritual power are the main factors in spiritual victories. If the people of Christ have

spritual power they will not be defeated in evangelism, in enlistment or in other endeavors.

"But thanks be to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." I Cor. 15:57.

III

When we came to the work February 1, 1939, we found in the audit of our books two items we did not understand as to inclusions. Please be sure that there was no question as to the correctness of the items. All along we have believed in the rock-ribbed honesty of those who have conducted Mississippi Baptists business before us.

One of these items was an \$87,070.99 item carried as a State Mission surplus. At the same time the auditor told us there was a \$2,000 deficit in State Missions. We found that the property values of properties transferred from State Missions to Christian Education were included in this item, though of course that did not represent cash in hand. In 1940 we had our auditor, Mr. Quinn, set up an entire analysis of this item, going back as far as the year 1920.

A second item concerned us back in 1939 as we came to the work. This was in the amount of \$740,210.36 and known as Education Commission deficit. This covered mostly bonds outstanding against the Education Commission. These bonds had been issued in the interest of our colleges, or Christian Education. This item was the object of our effort during the debt paying campaign. By October 31, 1940 this deficit had only been reduced to \$728,-610.36. Our income was so low this first year we had not enough money to meet principal and interest payments. By October 31, 1941, we had still not reduced this item very much as it stood at a total of \$714,702.19. In October 1942, while the auditor changed his terminology covering this item, the amount of this deficit took a big drop downward to a total of \$367,500. Times were getting better, the Now Club was beginning to function in a great way, and with the knowledge and consent of the Education Commission, we did a little financing on our own part. We called 5 and 6% bonds, borrowing 3% money at the banks and thus saving 2 and 3% per annum on as much as \$70,000 at a time. In addition we called bonds using our own cash reserve, thus saving thousands of dollars interest. This was also done with the knowledge and consent of the Education Commission. In October 1943 the Education Commission deficit was brought down to \$308,641.82. We were busy a part of this year paying off some of the bank notes referred to above. In October 1944 the Education Commission surplus took another tumble downward to \$124,114.82. This was the amount of the deficit presented at the convention last year as we faced the debt-free celebration. It was decided by constituted authorities, working through us in the matter, that since we had in hand a cash reserve in State Missions large enough to finish taking up all outstanding bonds, that we would do this, thus clearing all indebtedness to outsiders and let the income in the months that followed clear the deficit against the Education Commission. This course was followed with the knowledge and consent of the 1944 Convention Board, Education Commission and Mississippi Baptist Convention. Thus we came to the Debt Free celebration December 12, 1944, owing nobody any money, but reconciliation to be effected between the two Mississippi Baptists accounts. Again, as in many other instances, State Missions had played the part of the "big brother" in helping Christian Education and without ultimate cost to iself. Again upon proper authorization, out of our State Mission surplus we paid the certificates of indebedness in the amount of \$24,083.69 to Mississippi Woman's College and the same to Blue Mountain College in the amount of \$24,083.69. This matted increased the Education Commission deficit in the result and total. By applying to this account allotted cash receipts, this deficit was brought down to \$44,870.68 as of October 31, 1945. Thus for the first time in over twenty-five years all Mississippi Baptists accounts have just about been cleared. This item just listed should be cleared not later than April if receipts hold up. Incidentally, so far as we recall, no additional indebtedness has been incurred since we came to this position in 1939. That is one reason why we eventually got out of debt. Had the counsel of our predecessor, Dr. R. B. Gunter, that grand man among Mississippi Baptists, been followed, we would have gotten out of debt much earlier. He consistently stood against large debts! He is a success in his own business as well as in the Lord's business!

IV

A tribute to Miss Bess Eva Schilling, Mississippi Baptist Convention Board since September 29, 1915: Miss Schilling began her services as bookkeeper while Dr. J. B. Lawrence was Convention Board secretary. She has been faithful and painstaking in her work. We know of no person who takes his or her work more seriously. As we came into the work, we are sure we worried her again and again as we went to her for information about the meaning of various accounts. We are quite certain she knows more about Mississippi Baptists' business generally than does any secretary, auditor, board member, department head or institution head. We have had three auditors since we came to this work in 1939. They are Mr. Collins, Mr. Quinn and Mr. Hurt. All three auditors have told us that she does too much work. At no time has either suggested that she does too little work. In her painstaking care she seems to keep some of the records in duplicate. We do not know why, except that, first, it seems to be a safeguard against mistakes and, second, it seems to afford gathering certain information more easily.

The Convention Board, books are open for inspection by Mississippi Baptists. We keep a complete set of annual audits and Mississippi Baptists are

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#### TO THE LADIES

Reports are still coming in from associational meetings. The months of September and October saw the 72 associations convene in annual session for a review of the work of the year and for planning for another year of service in the Master's Vineyard.

At the Thanksgiving Season we are mindful that the good ladies of the churches, which entertained the associations, had much to do with the spirit of fellowship which prevailed, as they prepared sumptuous meals for the messengers and visitors.

Many of them denied themselves the privilege of hearing reports and messages of inspiration which were brought by local clergy and Convention Board representatives, in order to make things ready for our physical needs.

To all who had a part in contributing and preparing the delicacies which were spread before the messengers to the Mississippi associations and which were consumed with much gusto, we express our sincere appreciation and thanksgiving and also remind them that we are looking forward to the meeting of the associations in 1946.

### MEMORIALS VERSUS PREACHING

Until restrictions brought on by war conditions prevented, many funerals were conducted on the Lord's Day, but never did we hear of one being held at the morning worship hour in a church where services were scheduled for that hour.

However, many churches have been having memorial services for the heroic dead at the morning worship hour. Attending the services are many people who have come for worship and to hear the preaching of God's Word, only to find that there is no sermon and that the memorial is for someone of whom they have never heard until that hour. During that service they find that they have become emotionally disturbed unnecessarily, and they leave church with a longing for a sermon unfulfilled.

We would not belittle the memorializing of our dead. But we believe the time should not be at a regular worship service. Let these memorials be at a time when the families and friends of those to be remembered may come, but do not force these services upon strangers.

None of us "loves" to attend funerals, but as Christians we go to pay our respects to the departed and comfort our friends in their sorrow. The ones who attend for curiosity are in the minority. Every person who experiences a sorrow appreciates genuine sympathy from interested friends, but we do not believe they would want total strangers to be forced by circumstances to attend memorials for their departed loved ones.

The preaching of God's Word is important and let us not put it aside for services which may be held at other times.

(Contributed.)

### PLAY FAIR WITH THE PASTOR

When has your church increased the salary of your pastor? We do not need to quote statistics to prove that living costs have steadily increased for the past several years. Most of our churches like to boast of the increased income of the church, of how much more money has been given to missions than ever before, and of how many government bonds have been purchased for erecting a new building or educational plant.

But along with these gains how many times and in what amounts has the salary of the pastor been raised? It has cost more for him and his family to live, expenses on his car (which is old even as yours is) are higher than ever before. Have some of you, who are deacons, been content to hand over as a personal gift to your pastor a gratuity of \$10 or \$25 or perchance \$100 and then pat yourself on the back that you were financially able to do that?

Preachers and their families have obligations and everyone is prone to criticize them more quickly for slight delay in meeting obligations. Often it is not that the preacher is dilatory, but that his income (or lack of it) necessitates delay. Whatever drive comes along in the community or special causes of our denomination, the pastor is expected to lead in giving. He usually gives more in proportion to his income

than the members of his church.

Very few people are inclined to think a preacher overpaid, but 90% of our preachers have an income of \$2,500 or less. That leaves only 10% in the higher income group. More than 50% have an income of less than \$1,000. That group must supplement their incomes in some other way than in the ministry.

If we will think over our experiences we will see that the preacher is the first to encourage the church to increase its mission budget, but it is not ethical for him to ask for an increase in his own salary. The Scripture tells hire." Deacons have been orus that "a laborer is worthy of his dained to look after the business of the church and they should be men called of God even as the preachers. If they are, they will lead out in the matter of taking care of the pastor financially.

Whatever is done in the way of an increase let it be done joyfully and lovingly, knowing that your pastor can never be paid too much. Don't be hampered by thinking of the depression that is sure to come and of a decrease in the income of the church. In all probability your pastor will be the first one to suggest a cut in his salary, without waiting for finance committees or deacons to do so; but he will not suggest a raise in these days of inflation.

As you prepare your budget for the new year increase that item of "pastor's salary." Then the preacher and his family will know what to depend upon and can prepare their own budget accordingly. When you increase this item, increase it sufficiently for it to mean something. Don't be content with a paltry amount most of which will go to the government as income tax.

#### CHRISTIAN BUSINESS MEN

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The meeting of the Christian Business Men's Committee International held at Pennsylvania Hotel in New York City in October throws some interesting and enheartening light on the movements in this generation toward God's Kingdom increase. This committee is made up of business men of various church affiliations, but all committed to the task of telling the world about the grace of God that saves from sin. In addition to the sessions, this group held street meetings in which testimony and preaching received first emphasis. Some of the topics listed for discussion were: "Effective Ways of Reaching Unsaved Business and Professional Men"; "Good Advertising in Christian Work"; "How Can the Gospel Radio Work be Increased in Number of Stations and Effectiveness?" and others.

One entire evening was given to the matter of personal soul winning, the international vice chairman in charge, with testimonies from men from Pennsylvania, Oregon and other places.

The problems of men returning from the service, and youth for Christ opportunities also received earnest attention. Truly, when great business men put their time and devotion into the spread of the Kingdom, there is cause for rejoicing. Mississippi was represented by R. G. LeTourneau of Vicksburg, who is chairman, and others.

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Demands for recall of Myron C. Taylor as the President's representative and withdrawal of "our steadily increasing staff at the Vatican," were contained in resolutions passed at the recent Mississippi Baptist Convention.

The resolution demanding recall of the Vatican staff was introduced by A. L. Goodrich, editor of The Baptist Record.

The resolution relative to the recalling of Mr. Taylor from the Vatican reads in part: "Whereas the President may soon be requested by Myron C. Taylor to relieve him as the President's representative at the Vatican, it would seem to indicate that our government is expected to continue its embassy at the Vatican without approval of the Senate, and whereas the only justification President Roosevelt ever offered for his appointment of Mr. Taylor was an emergency measure in connection with the war and whereas, we consider the appointment of Mr. Taylor, even as a war measure, a direct violation of the Constitution of the United States, therefore, be it resolved by the messengers from the 1,600 churches representing 300,000 membership . . . we petition President Truman to terminate the appointment of Mr. Taylor and call home our steadily increasing staff at the Vatican.

"We believe such action on the part of the President will meet with widespread approval and relieve our nation of a growing discontent with a situation which complicates our foreign relations and endangers the cherished principle of complete separation of church and state, the acknowledged guarantee of religious freedom."

Wednesday morning, reports were made on all Baptist educational institutions, on the Baptist Orphanage, and on the Baptist Hospital.

Tuesday afternoon, 21 new Mississippi Baptist pastors were introduced to the convention.

### -Sparks & Splinters-

Leake county pastors have accepted the challenge of Dr. McCall! At a conconference of pastors in Carthage, November 19, plans were discussed and formulated for a "Preaching Mission" to be conducted in March 1946. It is the plan of the pastors to reach not only every organized church with a full program of gospel preaching but to encourage support of every phase of our state mission program. The entire month of March will be devoted to these meetings and from the organized churches the gospel message will be taken to the unchurched areas of the county. At the Carthage conference a permanent organization known as the Leake County Baptist Pastor's Conference was organized with Dr. William Potter, president, and Rev. Homer P. McDonald, Bethel pastor, as secretarytreasurer. The conference will meet every other month.

Rev. Roy C. Maddux, Box 446, Chidester, Arkansas, plans to attend Baptist Bible Institute, and is interested in a church field nearby. He is a graduate of Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas. Any church interested may write to him at the above address. For references contact Ouachita College, Arkadelphia, Arkansas, and Baptist State Convention Headquarters, Radio Center, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Remember November is Thanksgiving month. Thanksgiving is the season when all of our Baptists constituency is expected to make an offering for the children of the Baptist Orphanage. Let us make the year 1945 the best ever. Give the people a chance and they will respond.

All groups of the Training Union except the Story Hour of Hepzibah church, Jeff Davis cunty, studied the book "Our First Task" in October. Pastor W. H. Wood taught the adults; Mrs. Wilbur Johnson, the young people; Edgar Daniels, the Intermediates; and Mrs. W. H. Wood, the Juniors. Mrs. Foxie Hedgepeth had charge of the Story Hour group. A social hour directed by Mrs. Kelly Smith and Mrs. Glynn Coulter was held on the closing night, October 26. Refreshments were served by Mesdames Edgar Daniels, Nezzie Ward and Louie Williamson.

Rev. Ray M. Dykes has resigned the pastorate of Morton Baptist Church to accept the pastorate of the Glenmora (Louisiana) church.

Rev. W. O. Carter writes that he is now on the field at New Prospect church, Lincoln county. He reports 80% of the churches cooperating in the county-wide school of missions. Pastor Carter, who is living in the recently completed parsonage, speaks in highest terms of the people of New Prospect.

Superintendent W. G. Mize and 25 children from the Baptist Orphanage presented a program at Liberty church on November 25. The Sunday school offering of \$165 combined with the special offering for the orphanage made a total of \$473. The attendance and the service were splendid.—Alma Causey, reporter.

The children and faculty of the Baptist Orphanage greatly enjoyed their Thanksgiving dinner made possible by generous friends. This was the menu: Tomato juice cocktail, fruit salad, baked turkey, dressing, giblet gravy, candied sweet potatoes, carrots and English peas, jelly, crackers, light bread, ice cream, spiced cake, milk and coffee. Yum! Yum!

A successful Training Union study course was taught at Blue Mountain College on Monday and Tuesday, November 19 and 20, by Rev. Bill Drummond of Olive Branch, Mississippi. The book "Vital Problems in Christian Living," offered a timely and practical study.—Eleanor Langstong, reporter.

From the associational letter of First church, Laurens, South Carolina, J. H. Kyzar, pastor, we learn that there were 96 additions to the church. Fifty-two of these were by baptism. The present church membership is 983, Sunday school enrollment 912 and Training Union enrollment 131. All families of the church receive the Baptist Courier, Home Missions and The Commission through the church budget. Pastor Kyzar is a Mississippian and formerly pastor at Drew.

Will our dream come true in 1945? The Orphanage has set as its goal for Thanksgiving a \$75,000 cash offering from more than 300,000 Mississippi Baptists. You can make this dream come true by doing your part.

The orphanage is glad to welcome home one of her very own girls. Lieut. Blondie Rowe of the Army Nurse Corps. Blondie arrived just in time to make her annual Thanksgiving offering in the amount of \$50. The children and faculty of the orphanage are delighted to welcome Blondie home. We are anxiously awaiting the return of many boys and girls who have been in the armed service of their country.

The Board of Trustees, faculty and children of the orphanage are grateful for every gift that has been made to this institution during the year and more especially for your gift at this Thanksgiving season. You will hear more from us later. The season is not over yet. Good, better, best! Never let it rest, 'till your good is better and your better best. With praise and thanksgiving to everybody.—W. G. Mize, superintendent.

The orphanage can handle all the syrup and molasses that is shipped to them. If they receive too much for their own use they can find a ready sale at market price. When you contribute syrup—you are contributing money. Send the syrup on—let it flow freely.

World Comrades for December has a full page article entitled "Margaret Fund," written by Laurella Owens, a sophomore at Blue Mountain College. The article is illustrated with a picture of five Margaret Fund students enrolled at Blue Mountain. Miss Owens is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Roswell Owens, missionaries to Palestine.

Two men in every Baptist church will be largely responsible for the success or failure of the Thanksgiving offering for the Orphanage, the pastor and the Sunday school superintendent. We know you want your people to go forward and we further know you want the offering to be a success. Give your people an opportunity—they will respond.

The visiting preacher for the youth service at Dockery church, Sunflower county, on November 18, was Byron Mathis, a student at Mississippi College. His subject for the evening was "How I May Know God's Will for My Life." Young people participating in the service were Billy Mitchell, Jean Marie Mitchell, Jerry Cruthird, Malcolm Campbell and Doyle Bishop. Special music was given by the young people's choir.—Reporter.

"How It Began" is a book written by Miss Nan F. Weeks, editorial secretary of the Foreign Mission Board. The book is designed to give to younger R. A's a nd G. A's a general knowledge of the beginnings and growth of the foreign mission enterprise. Starting with the advent of Him who is the light of the world, the story traces the progress of Christian missions from Palestine to Europe and thence to the lands in which Southern Baptists began their work. Miss Weeks is the author of several mission study books for children. Leaders and children alike will welcome another book from her pen. The price is 25c and the book may be secured from the Baptist Book Store. A booklet with helps for leaders is also available.

Dr. B. C. Land, former pastor at Quitman and now director of the department of stewardship in Florida, has written an interesting and instructive book entitled, "Florida, A Mission Field." Dr. E. D. Solomon, editor of the Florida Baptist Witness and a Mississippian, says of the book, "It is a book of progress. The chapters on Florida as a mission field, are unique, cosmopolitan, challenging, great, needy, growing, opportune and Baptist. The last chapter is The Work, The Way and the Workers." The price of the book is 25c and orders should be sent to Miss Louise Robinson, 218 West Church Street, Jacksonville, Florida.

According to Royal Service for December, Blue Mountain College has more Margaret Fund students enrolled this year than any other college in the Southern Baptist Convention, except two institutions in Texas. Royal Service shows the following Margaret Fund students who are enrolled in colleges in Mississippi: Mary Beth Cooper, Louise Freeman, Laurella Owens, Betty Jane Sullivan and Emily Ware, Blue Mountain College; Cita Harris and William McCormick, Mississippi State College.

The boys and girls of the Baptist Orphanage are looking to you for support. Keep them in your heart—one day's pay your part.

#### MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

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invited to study these. We cannot let these records out of the office except upon authorization by the constituted authorities, but you may study them in the office. We cannot change our bookkeeping system at every suggestion, but only upon instruction from constituted authority. We can state it and write it in blood and life, as we have again and again, that Mississippi Baptist Convention Board affairs are handled honestly and have been for more than 100 years. There has never been a known breach of honesty by any Mississippi Baptist leader. Much of this is made possible by the bookkeeping department.

"Neighbors Half a World Away" is a very interesting booklet on China. Both young and old will be interested in its message.

We had a fine visit to Holly Springs with Pastor H. H. Aultman and his splendid church. Three deacons were ordained. Some of the finest deacons and church leaders generally that we have known are members of this church.

While in a revival at Aberdeen we had the privilege of preaching at Bethel and Antioch churches. At each place we met some very fine rural church people.

Our visit in revival at Aberdeen with Pastor C. W. Thompson and his folk was most enjoyable. We had good attendance despite the fact a fall revival seemed to be a new departure for them. Six additions.

Pastors Aultman and Thompson are two of our best.

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It seems that Mississippi Baptists must indeed be growing spiritually with good works the result, as every Executive Committee meeting, every Convention Board meeting, and every Mississippi Baptist Convention session seems to excel previous ones. Those who hear us in sessions and in other meetings know that we like the question and answer method about the work of the Lord Jesus. The Board meeting brought many questions evidencing unusual interest of the work of our Lord.

The 1945 Convention session brought the finest reports ever and laid far-reaching plans for the future. The Convention president, Dr. N. W. Cox, led the way with his excellent presiding, his challenging address and the folks generally were ready to go along. The Baptist Building dedication was climaxed with the address of Pastor Jas. L. Sullivan. We have never seen a more "Christlike" spirit evidenced so thoroughly where issues were as sharp as in this Convention. The brethren remembered "How good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity." Psalm 133:1.

A cordial welcome is extended by Baptists and their friends of the state and to those beyond the borders to visit the beautiful and commodious Baptist Building at the corner of North Congress and Mississippi streets in Jackson. We shall not forget that the blood and tears of the Lord Jesus formed the background for this building. We shall not forget that the love and loyalty of thousands of Mississippi Baptists made it possible. It is for the work of Christ in the state and around the world!

Our furniture, including the magazine rack for the "Fellowship Room," has not come, but we truly hope you will make it a place of rest, refreshment, reading and fellowship. The assembly room and prayer room, one and the same, is available for committee meetings and conferences in the work of the Lord. While our office helpers will be too busy for extended visits, they expect hundreds and thousands of friends and helpers to come by with greetings and good fellowship.

This building will be a "House of Love." It will be a "Gospel Station" from which will go words of life around the world. We covet your prayers. Come to see us. The building is YOURS. It is the LORD'S! Doxology!

Reverend J. L. Muskelley, one of our very fine preachers, is entering Baptist Bible Institute, and is available for pastoral work anywhere in south or central Mississippi. We have known him for many years. One of our church fields should engage his church services. He is a fine minister.

Chaplain Raymond Morgan, Booneville, expects to be available for work in the pastorate December 1, 1945. He graduated at Booneville high school in 1936, Union University in 1940, and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1943. One of our fine Mississippi fields should claim him in the

Chaplain Eugene I. Farr, McCall Creek, is now available for pastoral service, and we certainly hope one of our fields claims him. He would do good work as a pastor or associational missionary.

Chaplain George Ritchey, another one of our best, should be brought back to this state.

Chaplain Dot Nelson expects to re-enter the pastorate as he leaves the navy—probably within a few months. Let's lay hold on him for work in this state.

### - Woman's Missionary Union -

President-Mrs. Webb Brame, Yazoo City Exec. Sec'y-Miss Edwina Robinson

Dr. Rankin, Secretary Foreign Mission Board, Interviewed

(Miss Blanche White of Virginia interviewed Dr. Rankin recently and gives us the benefit of recent developments and expectations. See last week's issue of The Baptist Record for the introduction to this interview.)

Second question: Do you anticipate many difficulties in launching your postwar program?

Dr. Rankin: It will be exceedingly difficult to formulate a program of world missions that is big enough for the world and small enough for Southern Baptist vision. Plans, to be useful, must have some relation to realities. The program which we have drawn up has been formulated under this limitation. We are trying to plan within the limits of reasonable expectations.

Third question: What is your reasonable expectation of reoccupying China?

Dr. Rankin: My hope—yes, I believe I can say my reasonable expectation—is that within the next year the Foreign Mission Board will have all of our missionaries back in China. The majority of them, I think, will be sent out in the latter part of 1946.

Fourth question: What plans has your Foreign Mission Board made for the immediate missionary reoccupation of China?

Dr. Rankin: Within the week after Japan had signed the terms of surrender, we had ten missionaries from the Orient to meet here in Richmond. With the secretary for the Orient and the executive secretary, these representatives spent three days in formulating plans for reprojecting missionary work in China and Japan.

As yet, passports and visas can be secured only for those who are being sent to China for protecting property interests and for relief and medical work. On October 6 three experienced missionaries sailed from the Pacific coast for China. Missionary Frank Connly will go to North China: Missionary H. H. McMillan sails for Shanghai; Missionary D. F. Stamps will make contacts with our Chinese Baptists in interior China. Before the end of the year, we hope to have seven more experienced missionaries on their way back, among them Dr. J. T. Williams, interim-secretary for the Orient.

Meantime, our seven missionaries in West China have formed an emergency committee, consisting of missionaries and Chinese, to represent the China Missions, the Chinese Baptist Conventions and the Foreign Mission Board in establishing contacts with all areas of our work. An effort is being made to appoint an official representative, either a missionary or a responsible Chinese Baptist, in each main area.

It is most fortunate that throughout the war we have been able to maintain mission headquarters in Chungking. We are greatly indebted to the small number of missionaries who have held on so faithfully in Free China and who are now in position to render exceedingly valuable service.

Fifth question: Do you mean to re-

occupy all four of our former missions in China?

Dr. Rankin: Oh, yes. We hope to make those contacts very soon. In fact, we have made, already, contacts with Chinese Baptist leaders in south China, central China, north China and interior China. Letters come as early as October, 1945, telling of many of our Chinese Baptist friends who have "won through" these war years, in spite of physical handicaps and Japanese pressure.

Sixth question: Will Chinese Baptists be given more responsibility for the promotion of our evangelistic and educational work than before the war?

Dr. Rankin: We shall give our Chinese Baptists all of the responsibility they are ready and willing to take. This was the program which we launched before the war and during these war years they have proven themselves able and willing to bear the load. We plan, as soon as possible, to turn over to Chinese conventions the work in the older areas. helping them with American missionary assistants and with building programs, as they need our help. Then with their help, we hope to launch new work in unevangelized sections of China. There are vast areas in the Orient in which no Christian mission work has been opened.

Seventh question: What will be the Board's policy concerning the new mission work in west China, opened during the war?

Dr. Rankin: Our first responsibility is to the old established fields in eastern, northern, southern and interior China. But we do not expect to abandon any work which has been begun in west China and, soon, we hope to enlarge greatly our mission forces in that section.

Eighth question: Has the Foreign Mission Board any hope of assistance from United States official representatives in China?

Dr. Rankin: We have made no application for assistance from our government, except in the matter of passports. We do know, however, that our government will appoint consuls for the principal ports of China and many of these consuls will be friendly toward missionary and relief work. In fact, the consul in one of the most important centers in China is the son of former Presbyterian missionaries and the husband of one of our former missionaries. Another interesting fact is the presence in north China of Missionary Harold Snuggs, who enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. We believe that many of the official representatives of our government in China will be happy to help our missionaries. We shall, of course, observe strictly the well-known Baptist principle of separation between church and state. Our dependence is upon God in whose name we go.

Ninth question: As you see the situation now, what institutions will you strengthen first?

Dr. Rankin: We must help our Chinese Baptists provide places in which to worship. We must enable the China Baptist Publication Society to provide the Word of God in large quantities. Sunday school literature and WMU literature must be printed.

Arrangements must be made for the distribution of this religious literature. We must re-establish our Bible Training schools and seminaries.

Tenth question: Have you mapped out a tentative program for your seminary and training school work in the future?

Dr. Rankin: We see no reason, now, to change the policy made just before the war. We hope to re-establish in interior China our advanced seminary and training school for women; to go on with the work of the less advanced seminaries and training schools in north China and south China. Already, the University of Shanghai has opened in its own name. Other schools will be heard from within the next few months.

Eleventh question: What can our Board say, now, with reference to the missionary reoccupation of Japan?

Dr. Rankin: The events since the surrender of Japan have been such as to stir great hopes for the future of Christianity among the Japanese people. In 1868 Japan, after she had seen that her national policies during the previous two centuries were unsound, made a revolutionary change in the life of the nation. Is it not reasonable to hope that even a greater change will take place now in view of the compelling evidence that her policies of the past decades have been unsound? The fact that Shintoism is no longer the" state religion of Japan is another harbinger of a better day for missionary effort there. As soon as passports are available. we intend to send at least two experienced missionaries to Japan to study conditions. Our plans for the future will depend largely upon this survey. We are certain, however, that Southern Baptists still have a responsibility to fulfill in Japan. God is seeking to save these millions of people and He is looking to us to do our

Twelfth question: Will the Board continue its missionary work in Hawaii, now that the missionaries stationed there will be returning to their fields in China or Japan?

Dr. Rankin: Without any reservation and with all the emphasis I can give that word, I answer "YES." I should like to challenge Southern Baptist women and young people to provide the necessary missionaries and money to carry out a modest evangelistic and educational program in those islands for the next fifteen years, with the promise that at the end of that period the Board will present to our Convention a selfsupporting, forward-looking State Convention in the Hawaiian Islands equal to any found in the States. This is one of the most strategic missionary centers we have anywhere in the world. Not until war began in the Far East were Southern Baptists able to supply missionaries to open work in Hawaii, though earnest people out there longed for an evangelistic message, and had been praying for years that God would send Southern Baptist missionaries to the islands, which embrace 6,200 square miles, with a population, in 1940, of 423,000.

Beginning at Honolulu, our Southern Baptist Mission has expanded into the island on which that city is located and into three other islands of the Hawaiian cluster.

We have a good Bible Training school in Honolulu, with an enrollment of eighty-sevn. We need to strengthen that training school and

### Twelve Cities Called Carthage To Join In Evangelistic Campaign

Carthage, Miss.—Twelve communities in the U.S. which bear the name of Carthage have been asked to join in an evangelistic campaign, originated here by Dr. William Potter, pastor of the First Baptist Church, under the motto, "Calling Carthage to Christ."

Dr. Potter has sent invitations to participate in the project to Baptist churches of Carthage in the states of Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia.

He said that "perhaps in the wisdom of God all of us might join together in fellowship, prayer and soulwinning that could make our respective towns of Carthage the 'white spots' on the spiritual map of the nation."

"We are planning an intensive campaign of prayer, preaching and publicity, and cordially invite your town to join with us in this spiritual effort. . . . We may be small towns but with God as our helper we can certainly do big things for Him."

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Evangelist Barney Walker will be at Good Hope church, Leake county, to assist Pastor Lewis Byram in a revival the week of November 25-30.

establish a good junior college on the splendid lot which we have already bought on University avenue. God led us to this "cross roads of the Pacific." He is opening before us, in the immediate future, a magnificent opportunity there.

Thirteenth question: Would you like to say anything more concerning missionary work in the Orient?

Dr. Rankin: Much more ought to be said. But one central thought I would like to emphasize. We are asking for an increase in our missionary force, for funds to be used in relief work and in a rehabilitation program which will restore or rebuild churches, schools, hospitals and missionary residences destroyed by bombs. But the picture before me is of people, millions of people, hungry people, homeless people, starving people, naked people, I would have you see fifty million displaced people, who must be restored to their homes in long-occupied China. They are suffering from malnutrition, disease, stunned minds. I would have you see those four hundred million people of China and the ninety million neople of Japan, most of them with no knowledge of our Saviour. In all that we do-feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, rebuilding churches and other institutions in which we shall teach and preach and heal-we want to keep in mind those people for whom the Son of God gave His life.

Say to Southern Baptist women that their prayer for the Orient might well be made in the words of the poem:

"When wilt Thou save the people?
O God of mercy, when?
Not kings and lords, but nations!
Not thrones and crowns, but men!
Flowers of Thy heart, O God, are
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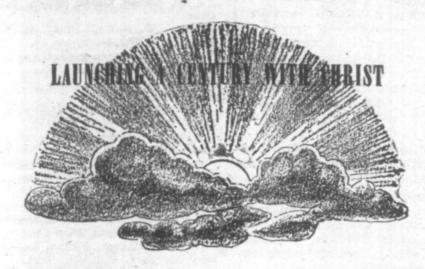
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Southern Baptist

Simultaneous Associational Training Union Meetings

December 7

To Launch the Program for 1946

#### ATTEND THE MASS MEETING IN YOUR ASSOCIATION

Two Adult Departments for New Albany

New Albany has always had a pretty good Training Union, and they can boast of a growing interest. A recent letter from Pastor J. R. Davis tells of the splendid work of the B. A. U. They had a good Adult Department, and thought they could have a better one by having two, so the second Adult Department was organized. Before this new department was organized they were reaching in the 60's and now they run more t' in 90 adults with the top attendance 98. Their goal is a hundred adults attending the adult unions every Sunday night. The other departments are growing also with an attendance weekly in the Training Union of 235 to 250.

Antioch in Jeff Davis Organizes Union

We are indebted to Mrs. Wiley Coulter for a report of the organization of a Training Union at Antioch church in Jeff Davis county. They started with the Juniors and Intermediates and plan to organize the other units soon. Mrs. Coulter is the director, and is making plans to make the unions standard.

December 7, the all south simultaneous associational special mass meeting date will be observed by all 71 associations in Mississippi we hope. A suggested program for this meeting is in the November Training Union Magazine, and a copy of the play suggested as a part of the program will be in the December Magazine. The December Magazine is mailed out about the middle of November, thus giving two or three weeks time for preparation. Copies of the play may be secured by writing the Training Union Department, 161 Eighth Avenue N, Nashville 3,

Someone asked if a representative from an individual church could take part in one of the contests to be held at the State Training Union Convention. Our answer is that we cannot break it down to individual churches. Usually only district winners are eligible for the state meeting. Since we did not have the district conventions this year we are letting those who won in their association represent the association at the state convention. This applies to all departments, Story Hour, Junior, Intermediate and Young People.

Please

Soon after the regular association met we sent a double card to each of our associational directors asking for the list of newly elected officers. A number of these have been received but there are still a number that have not reported. We are writing again and this time to the clerk of the association asking for this information. Some of these gentlemen may be too busy to give us the information,, so we make the appeal here to any who may read this to send us the name and address of the associational director and any other officers that may have been elected. PLEASE.

December 7 All Over the South

Next week, Friday, December 7, all over the south associations will be meeting in special meetings. The goal for these meetings in Mississippi is 10,000. Make your last appeal for ATTENDANCE in every church in your association Sunday. Be sure the program is ready, have some good music, special and congregational. Use as many people as you can as ushers, for announcements, to pass out the song books, to sing special numbers, to read the scripture, etc. You who read this, PLAN TO AT-TEND; if you have a car, carry it full to the meeting.

Pastor J. D. Grey of First church,
New Orleans, reports 122 additions during the two weeks' revival in which
Dr. Hyman Appelman did the preaching. This was the second meeting
conducted by Dr. Appelman. There
were enormous crowds at all services.

The twenty-ninth edition of Points for Emphasis, pocket sized commentary on the international uniform Sunday school lessons for 1946 and edited by Dr. Hight C. Moore is now ready for distribution. "As always, it is forceful, pungent, and pointed. It continues to be known and used literally around the world. This handy little book-small enough for a vest pocket or a handbag-is, at the same time large enough to contain a wealth of help on the Sunday school lessons for the entire year. This compact little manual goes straight to the heart of each Sunday school lesson. It is filled with beautiful thoughts and is soundly evangelical."

Center Ridge church, Yazoo county: Rev. Joe Royalty, a Mississippi College student, who lives in Jackson, is our pastor. At a recent prayer meeting service he brought Rev. Bob Rushing to speak to us. Brother Rushing is a student, and is blind. He is a wonderful worker in spite of his handicap. At the close of the service there was an hour of fellowship as the pastor and his wife invited all present to a wiener roast. We have plans for building a new church with Sunday school rooms in the near future. Malcolm Melton is superintendent of the Sunday school.—Reporter.

Charles Everitt, Mississippian, and graduate of Southwestern Seminary, has recently accepted the pastorate of First church, Foulke, Arkansas.

### **SYMPOSIUM**

State Secretaries Give Their Reaction To The Proposed Procedure For Raising 1946 Budget

### The Blood Stream To All Baptist Causes

Alabama- A. H. Reid, Montgomery

Alabama Baptists are becoming increasingly committed to the Cooperative Program as the channel through which they can wisely give for the support of all Baptist Causes. In increasing numbers they are coming to recognize the Cooperative Program as the blood-stream of life on which all our denominational agencies and institutions must depend. The 1946 budget for Alabama Baptists has not yet been made up, but this budget will be increased and it may well be expected that the Cooperative Program will receive larger emphasis as the chief means by which the budget will be raised.

Inform The People

We have had the cooperative program for more than twenty years, and yet many of our churches and individual Baptists do not understand the Program and do not share in its support. In the past, conditions in the Southern Baptist Convention and in most of our states have been such as to make it necessary to emphasize special appeals. As a result, many of our people think of the Cooperative Program as only one of the many denominational objects to which they are asked to give. In Alabama we shall attempt to make it clear to our people that this is the one all-inclusive financial program for the support of all Baptist causes and, at the same time, the rights of the individual to designate his gifts are recognized.

**Every Church Giving** 

Approximately 50 percent of the churches in Alabama give nothing, or very little to the Cooperative Program. This is a very unhealthy denominational condition that prevails, not only in Alabama but also in other states with a large number of churches. When adequately informed and led, we believe every church will support the Program, and it shall be our aim during 1946 to enlist the support of each of the 2,331 churches in Alabama.

More Liberal Giving

Now that all denominational debts have been paid and almost all churches are out of debt, our churches can and should greatly increase Cooperative Program gifts. It is a large program and must be more largely supported. Already many of the city and town churches in Alabama have greatly increased their Cooperative Program gifts. This is as it should be, and during the coming year we shall press the claims of the Program for larger support. It is truly the "blood-stream" to all Baptist causes and the stream should be made larger and more adequate.

MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST CONVENTION BOARD D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary Box 530, Jackson, 105, Mississippi

### Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary W. R. ROBERTS, Associate MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

Growth

The most important thing in the world is life. Jesus said He came that we might have life and have it more abundantly.

The second most important thing is growth. Life without growth would not be natural or normal. We have been encouraged so many times this year at the great number of Sunday schools that have grown. Many have been the times when pastors, superintendents and others have told us of setting new attendance records during 1945. I wish we knew the exact number of schools in Mississippi that have this year set such a record.

This growth in numbers is certainly one thing that we should never cease to emphasize as long as there are those unreached. The program of enlargement should be at the forefront in Sunday school work. No matter how fine and capable the teachers and officers are, they cannot help the people in the actual class room work unless they are there. Therefore, let's continue to put emphasis on that important part of our work.

Winston Association

Speaking of growth, we read recently in The Associational Voice, a paper published monthly under the supervision of Dr. John F. Carter, that in 1943 there were 17 Sunday schools in the county with an enrollment of 1698, but that in 1945 there are 22 schools with an enrollment of 2504, a gain of 806 in two years, or nearly 50% increase. The Training Union growth is also excellent, and the Vacation Bible school growth is still very splendid.

All of these things prove that growth is possible. The work, planning, and persistent efforts put forth by leaders in one church or association will also bring good results in other places.

We are not very far in our new Sunday school year. So, let's strive to reach more people this year for Bible study than ever in the long and glorious history of Southern Baptist Sunday school work.

New Schools

Another item in the matter of growth that has been most encouraging during 1945 has been the new Sunday schools that have been organized. A number of these have been regular church schools—some of them in new churches that have been organized this year—but a great many of them have been mission schools as churches have gone out into the more remote sections and organized schools to reach those who were going to no place for Bible teaching and worship.

In so doing, we have noted with much interest the great number of baptisms that have come from these mission organizations. One of the finest pieces of evangelistic work that our people can engage in is that of going out where the people are and organizing mission schools, churches and promoting Vacation Bible schools and evangelistic meetings. If we ever reach the people with the gospel message we must take it to them. Of course, there are many who will come regularly to the appointed place

of worship, but there are also many thousands who will never do so. If we help them we must go where they are with the message of salvation from God's word.

Therefore, we sincerely trust that during this new Sunday school year our established churches and schools will seriously consider the important matter of organizing one or more mission schools in the area adjacent to their territory.

New Year Standards

Several schools have already sent in their applications for standard recognition for this new Sunday school year. Any school that now meets all the points of the standard is entitled to mail in the application now. We hope you will do this right away because it will help to have the recognition from even early in the new year. We shall be glad to mail application blanks upon request, and also the large standard charts.

Since the class and department standards are based on a quarter's work, and since we are now in the first quarter of the new year, they can during these weeks of this quarter check up to see how they stand, and do whatever is necessary to have all points reached by December 31, so they can then early in January make application for standard recognition for the quarter ending December 31.

We hope that a great number of classes and departments that have never been standard will do that this time. Last year we were second only to Texas in the South in the total number of standard units of all kinds: schools, departments and classes.

It will help your work and encourage your people to attain and maintain consistently this good program of practical Sunday school work. Ask those who have done it and see what they say.

We shall be glad to mail such literature on request.

October Standards

The following units of Sunday school work became standard during the month of October:

Schools: Hattiesburg Fifth Avenue, Dr. I. E. Rouse, pastor, W. A. Moody, superintendent; Magee, Rev. G. O. Parker, pastor, J. H. Mangum, superintendent

Classes: T. E. L., Adult, Grenada First, Mrs. R. B. Thomason, teacher; Silver Star, Intermediate, New Albany, Mrs. T. A. Beard; Eagles, Intermediate, Forest, T. G. McCormick; Marys and Marthas, Intermediate, Forest, R. L. Burns; Radiant, Intermediate, New Albany.

Due to ill health following a major operation Pastor Loy D. Cook has resigned the pastorate of Osborne Creek church, Prentiss county. The members of the church have accepted his resignation with regret and pray for his speedy recovery.—Reporter.





### Department of Church Music

LUTHER A. HARRISON, Secretary

Three big music conferences for Mississippi in December. December 8, at Grenada, First Baptist Church, for North Mississippi musicians. December 15, at Jackson, First Baptist Church, for central Mississippi musicians.

December 22, at Hattiesburg, First Baptist Church, for south Mississippi musicians.

All conferences will meet at 10:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., with an interesting program and conferences. All pastors, choir directors, organists, pianists, song leaders, and other musicians are urged to attend.

In order to get your FREE male quartet books send the names of your Brotherhood quartet to this department. We are attempting to help organize 500 male quartets. Three books are yours for the asking.

Your secretary had the rare privilege of attending a choir and Brotherhood banquet at the Southside Baptist Church in Meridian last week. This church has an unusual musical program, well planned, with R. S. Criscoe as director and Rev. Mason as pastor. They are making plans for several choirs in the near future. My guess is that we can be expecting great things from this church. Their one aim in all of the music program is to make it good and above all "spiritual."

For the New Year make your plans for a Training Union ensemble. All Juniors and Intermediates of the Sunday school in hymn playing contest. All pastors are urged to get the book "Music in the Scriptures." Have you tried these:

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MISSISSIPPI CALENDAR OF PRAYER

December 3—Pray for faithful observance of the week of prayer for Foreign Missions, December 3-7.

Mrs. Jack Causey, Associational W.
M. U. Superintendent, District 8.

December 4—Dr. A. A. Kitchings, Committee on Social Service.

December 5—Dr. D. A. McCall, Committee on Temperance. Mrs. G. B. Blank, Associational W. M. U. Superintendent, District 8.

December 6—Dr. L. T. Lowrey, Committee on Temperance. Mrs. J. E. Pigott, Associational W. M. U. Saperintendent, District 8.

December 7—Clarice Conner, B. T. U.
Field Worker; Mrs. Edna Watkins
Hewitt, Associational W. M. U. Superintendent, District 8.
December 8. Mrs. Held.

December 8—Mrs. Hattie Harrison, Associational W. M. U. Superintendent, District 5. Miss Elizabeth Hutchins, Spanish teacher, Blue Mountain College.

December 9-Miss Kathryn Zirwes, art teacher, Blue Mountain College. CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES
By Rev. Leon V. Young

Called and Accepted

P. H. Wyatt, Davidson, Okla., from Antioch church at Loco.

J. M. Jordan, Osage church, Fairfax, Okla.

Leroy W. Raley, First, Pawhuska, Okla., from chaplaincy.

John V. Tinnin (a graduate of Mississippi College), Hilton Village church, Newport News, Va., from chaplaincy, U. S. Army.

Roy A. Carley, First church, Rosenberg, Texas, from chaplaincy.

W. B. Huntsberry, El Monte, California from chaplaincy. E. E. Mason, San Juan, Texas.

Will H. Traves, First, Hardin, Mo., from Dallas.

M. G. Upton, White Deer, Texas. Clyde Coffman, Hicks Chapel, West Plains, Assn., Texas, from Goodland.

R. G. Harthcock, Bynum and Woodbury churches, Hillsboro, Texas. C. W. Pearson, Salado, Texas.

R. L. Evans, Royal, Texas, from Jacksonville, Fla.

Ray M. Dykes, Glenmora, La., from Morton, Miss.

W. R. Rogers, Locharbor, La.

E. D. Elliott, First, Greenville, Miss. H. E. Small, Emmanuel, Shreveport, La.

E. C. Sheehan, First, Houma, La.
Homer Burr, City Price church,
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### Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell

Lesson for December 2 THE CHRISTIAN AND HIS EARTHLY POSSESSIONS Deuteronomy 8:17, 18; Psalm 50:7-11;

Malachi 3:8-10; Luke 12:13-21; 18:18-24; Acts 2:41-47; James 2:15, 16; 5:1-6

L The Ultimate Source of Wealth. Deut. 8:17, 18.

Read the passage, so very old, and yet as late as this day's newspaper. handed down to us for a period 1500 years before our Lord was born. Now as then and at all other times it warns us against the habit of thinking that we by our own skill and industry have amassed all of everything we may have, whether or not abundant. So you made a great crop! Suppose now the Lord had sent no rain? no sunlight? no strength to your right arm? no wise council to plan your work? You can't make anything grow, and I said Anything." But who does t hen? Remember this: It is the good Lord. You may break ground and fertilize and plant and cultivate; but without God all your labor goes for naught. Your health as surely comes from Him. Not all the care that you may take to preserve yourself in health avails a thing without the fostering care of the Great Physician.

II. Nobody But God Owns Anything. Psalm 50:7-11.

This passage asserts that nothing belongs to anybody but God. He owns all the material universe and every item in it. Your field, eh? Whose was it before you got here? Whose will it be the day you are buried? God's! It always has been His, and always will be. His the waters of all the seven seas. His the hills and all the cattle upon them. Make no mistake about that. All that you are and have belong to Him. Your times are in His hand; nay, all time is His, as well as the things of time. Nothing that is, not omitting you, but belongs to Him. "All souls are Mine," He says, "as the soul of the father so also the soul of the son."

All gold and precious stones are His, and we can not enrich Him by any bounty we may bestow. We can not treat Him as a beggar into whose hand we may or may not drop a penny. To carry on His work here in the world we may make contributions of that which He has entrusted to us of His own, but let us not for one moment forget that it is not ours but His all the while.

III. Indictment of a Band of Robbers. Malachi 3:8-10.

Turn to this passage now and read it. Here is God indicting a band of robbers. And who were the robber clan? The whole nation of Israel. And how had those robbers robbed God? Had they held a pistol to His head and demanded that He stand and deliver? No! Well, how had they robbed Him? Just as 40,000 people who may read these words are robbing Him now. They are withholding from Him that which is His that they may pamper their own desires by means of it. They have put



"Stage Door" is the production the Mountain Masqueraders, players group of Blue Mountain College, will present this year. The premier performance of this three-act comedy, written by George S. Kaufman and Edna Ferber, will be given November 30 in the Modena Lowrey Berry auditorium under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Purser, head of the speech arts department.

Pictured above is the cast of the production. Seated, left to right: Billye Jewell Carnell, New Albany; Martha Hollis, Derma; Margaret Ann Hamilton, Memphis, Tenn.; Miss Elizabeth Purser, director; Jean Claire Mills, Kosciusko; Jean Stinson, Old Hickory, Tenn.; Jayne Woods, Vicksburg.

Standing, left to right: Sue Boatman, Maben; Allene Sugg, Bellefontaine; Corinne Griffin, Laurel; Christine Giles, Waynesboro; Corrie Mae Porter, New Albany; Peggy Herrington, New Albany; Mildred Ellars, Kokomo, Ind.; Dorothy Lee Jefferson, Inverness; Mary Julia Sudduth, Sallis; Betty Jane Watts, New Orleans, La.; Elaine Caldwell, Starkville; Joan Day, Pontotoc; Kitty Williams, Utica; Geraldine Lackey, Calhoun City, and Marjorie Bailey, Richmond,

Background, left to right: Marjorie Donnell, Blue Mountain; Bernice Mc-Daniel, Oyska; Camille Holman, Louisville, and Beverly Hodges, Bonita.

After showing at Blue Mountain, the entire cast will go on the road and show at Booneville, December 3: Calhoun City, December 4; Bruce, December 5; Mississippi State College, Starkville, December 6, and Collierville, Tennessee, December 7.

things in the place that God desires and deserves and demands, and they think more of a new car and a new suit and new house, and a big dinner and a bottle of booze than they think of the Lord God Almighty.

My old detective friend of former years, Enus Blount of Summit was called by a Magnolia firm some years ago, to inspect the scene of a robbery, a burglary in their office. One look, and the great old detective knew someone inside the office force had robbed the safe. "Who knows the combination of this safe?" And the employees present began to tell him. and he began to say to himself, "Not he, nor he nor he-" "And Mr. --." "Where is he?" "He hasn't come down this morning." "He is the culprit, let us get him." But that bird had flown. Blount tracked him to New Orleans. The foul bird had been robbing his company for years, taking money entrusted to him and ministering to his vicious passions with it. So the robbers of God do today. They take money, God's money, that He has entrusted to them, and spend it in vicious indul-

IV. The Covetous Brother and the Rich Fool. Luke 12:13-21.

An old story. Jesus was teaching, and a man in the multitude was not listening at all; but he was thinking of what he might force his brother to give him of what his parents had left at death. The man was paying no attention to the deep things of the spirit Jesus was discussing, but was thinking, "Only let me get my hands on fully half of my dead dad's fortune, and I'll show you how to cut a through." And the Lord said, "Beware! A man's life is not made up of the things he gets his grip on!" And there follows the story of the farmer who tried to feed his soul on corn. "Soul, thou hast much goods" (mule-feed) "laid up for many years." Are you trying to fatten your soul on hog-feed?

### Camp Ground Church Continues To Grow

The Camp Ground church near Water Valley, which was organized approximately 15 years ago, and which met in the school house for some years, until a building was erected, is continuing to grow. Rev. Marven Metts assisted in the beginning, and Rev. L. J. Crumby was pastor when the building was erected. The blessing of God on the church during the hard years has increased the faith of the people in the belief that the church has a work to do in the Kingdom. They have now 200 or more active members, and full time work, having called Rev. J. F. Sullivan who is a wide awake leader. The Sunday school uses the six point system, and the B. T. U. is going forward. The ladies have organized a W. M. S. The Baptist Record goes into the homes of the people, provided by the church. The building has recently been painted inside and out.-Reporter.

From The Trumpet of First church, Jackson, we learn that probably one of the best things that has happened to the young people's department is the organization of a new men's class. It is mostly for the boys who have been in the army and navy and are now being released .- H. C. Sullivan is the teacher.

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### Department Of Student Work

Dr. Dewey E. Moore Visits BMC Campus

Blue Mountain College was very fortunate in having Dr. Dewey E. Moore, missionary to Italy, on the campus Tuesday and Wednesday, November 13 and 14. Speaking at noonday prayer meeting, YWA general assembly, mid-week prayer meeting, in class hours and in private conferences, Dr. Moore told us many unusual and interesting things about Italy and the effects of the war on religion there. Dr. Moore says that the war, because of its suppression of the churches, has resulted in "Every Member Witness Bands" and the rise of layman leadership, which is just what the church needed. He also told us about the great spirit of cooperation between Seventh Day Adventists, English Wesleyans, Catholics, Jews, Baptists, and other religious sects in the harsh days of the war when the people were in dire need of food, clothing, and shelter. Dr. Moore stressed the fact that people believe what they see, and if we are going to give successfully the gospel to the world, we must be living witnesses and must demonstrate Christianity, as well as preach it.

Dr. Dewey Moore, returned missionary to Italy, was guest speaker at the MSCW Workshop Friday, November 16, at noonday and at a night meeting. He told of his work in Italy, where he was a missionary for over four years before the war, and of his visit in Italy during and immediately after the European war. Dr. Moore's talks were very enlightening on the situation in Italy today.

In connection with the program of the First church, Columbus, for the month of November, the college BSU is planning extensive visiting campaigns for enlisting the unenlisted Baptists of the campus. The theme of the church for the month is "Harvesting for the Master."

The men's Bible class of Lumberton church has had a steadily increasing attendance since the coming of Pastor Paul H. Cranford. The enrollment is now 52. The other organizations of the church are working hard to keep up with the men.-Henry W. Greer, reporter.

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### Southern Baptists And Foreign Missions E. C. ROUTH, Editor, The Commission

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BAKER J. CAUTHEN

Dr. Baker James Cauthen, newly elected secretary for the Orient. After three or four months in the office of the Foreign Mission Board, beginning January 1, he and Mrs. Cauthen will return to China and make Shanghai headquarters for the time being. He will return to Richmond at intervals as needed.

Dr. Cauthen is a native of Texas and received his academic training in Stephen F. Austin Teachers College (B. A. '29), and Baylor University (M. A. '30). He is a graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (Th.M. in 1933, and Th.D. in 1936). After serving several years as pastor in Fort Worth and instructor in Missions in Southwestern, he and Mrs. Cauthen went out to China in 1939 under appointment of the Foreign Mission Board. Mrs. Cauthen (Eloise Glass) is a daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. B. Glass, for many years missionaries in North China. She is a graduate of Baylor University and Southwestern Seminary. They have two children.

The front doors to China are rapidly opening. Missionaries H. H. McMillan, Frank Connaly, and D. F. Stamps have already reached China. Missionaries J. T. Williams and W. B. Johnson sailed November 12 for China, and Eugene Hill and Miss Lucy Smith are scheduled to leave New-York around Thanksgiving for China.

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Exactly thirty-two years after Missionary H. H. McMillan landed in China for the first time, Hud Mc-Millan, Frank Connaly and D. F. Stamps spent their first Sunday in China after landing the preceding day, Nov. 3, 1945, at Tsingtao, Shantung province. They were the first Southern Baptist missionaries to enter China through the front door after the war. One of the first men they met was B. L. Nichols, who informed them that Missionaries Hipps, Strother, Abernathy and Culpepper were already in Shanghai. Missionary McMillan said he met one man at the church service that morning who was converted during the war and plans to be a minister of the gospel. They report also that Miss Elizabeth Hale is with her Chinese friends in Shanghai and is in good health. When these three missionaries reached Tsingtao they found business interests, especially tobacco com-

panies, were already sending their men to China as quickly as they could get passage. They write, "We need men and more men. With our seminaries full of men, surely someone can inspire them to offer themselves for Christ in China." In their opinion. Tsingtao is perfectly safe for women and children. The mission property is in fairly good condition. Hospital buildings at Laichow have been destroyed for the most part. Only the orphanage has remained intact. At Hwanghsien the hospital and one residence have been burned. No other buildings have been destroyed, but all are damaged. The Japanese organized union church at Tsingtao has declared itself out of existence. The local churches have never ceased functioning. "Our Baptist people remain true."

Reports have been received from a number of our mission fields in China and Japan. In Shanghai the True Light Building where the mission offices and publication society were located, is intact. Sallee Memorial church is a wreck. The university property is in better condition than was expected. Some of the mission residences were damaged very little, while others are in great need of repaid.—In Canton most of the Baptist homes are empty shells. The Baptist compound is in the worst condition of any in the city. Nothing is left of the Door of Hope Building.—Seven Baptist churches were destroyed in Japan: Fukuoka, Kagoshima, Omuta, Sasebo, Moji, Yawata, Hiroshima. The marines have started a fund to repair the Sasebo church. Both the schools are standing and are in fair condition.

At the November meeting of the Foreign Mission Board, Dr. Charles E. Maddry, who has been field secretary since his retirement from executive responsibilities last December 31, was elected executive secretary emeritus (without salary) of the Foreign Mission Board, effective January 1, 1946. Dr. and Mrs. Maddry live at 129 Hillcrest, Raleigh, N. C. Eternity alone will reveal the far-reaching ministry of Dr. Maddry during the twelve years of his leadership of the Foreign Mission Board through its most stressful period.

Although Missionary W. B. Johnson, supervisor of mission schools for the Foreign Mission Board, is on his way to China, the work in that department will be handled promptly and efficiently by Mrs. Rachel Newton Dickson, who for several months has taken care of the details of that office and is familiar with the schedules and procedures for schools of missions. All inquiries concerning mission schools may be addressed to Mrs. J. R. Dickson, % Foreign Mission Board, Box 5148, Richmond, Virginia.

Missionary L. L. Johnson reports one of the largest and most harmonious meetings of the Baptist Evangelistic Convention of Pernambuco. The North Brazil mission is happy over the recent coming of Miss Edith Rose Weller, who has just arrived and plans to join the Hardys in the

Amazon Valley region after she has gained a working knowledge of the language.-Missionary Joseph B. Underwood has completed his year's language study and will be located in Recife. He is making large plans for religious work in the American Baptist College. Dr. Everett Gill, Jr., and Missionary Underwood report a splendid meeting of the Bahia Baptist Convention.—The Foreign Mission Board in its recent meeting accepted the resignation received by cable from Mr. and Mrs. Harley Smith of the South Brazil mission. They were appointed in 1923 and will continue to live at Porto Alegre.

The First Baptist Church, Columbus, Miss., of which Dr. J. D. Franks is pastor, has voted not only to send The Commission to every family in the church, some 600 subscriptions, but to establish a memorial fund of \$30,000 in honor of World War II veterans, the income from which will be used to support a foreign missionary.

Mr. Arch McMillan, who has rendered distinguished service in China as a member of the Friends Service Committee and in the performance of special duties with the United States Army in China, has returned to this country, and will resume his studies in the Southern Baptist Sem-. . .

Mail service to China has been resumed. Parcel post packages not exceeding eleven pounds will be accepted for Kansu, Kwangsi, Kweichow, Ningsia, Shensi, Sikang, Sinkiang, Szechwan, Tsinghai, and Yunan provinces and for the cities of Shanghai, Nanking and Hankow. First-class mail may be sent to all sections of China at the rate of 5e for the first ounce and 3c for each additional ounce. The airmail rate remains 70c per half ounce. -BR-

The First church, Pontotec, plans to celebrate its 100th birthday during February, 1946. Dr. M. L. Shannon, Deacon W. E. Harris and Mrs. R. L. Ray have been named as the committee on arrangements.

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## REGARDING MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE LIFE!

A PERSONAL WORD FROM D. A. McCALL, General Director

Dear Fellow Helper in the Gospel:

Last Saturday that grand man among Mississippi Baptists, Dr. R. B. Gunter, came into my office and for about an hour and a half we chatted about Mississippi Baptist affairs—mostly the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign. He stated it as his prayerful conviction that your Executive Secretary should direct the campaign. He further stated he had talked with both the president of the Board of Trustees and the president of Mississippi College. These three came to my office last Monday and again we talked about this matter for something like an hour and half. We stated that if the Board of Trustees unanimously requested it, and if the Executive Committee unanimously approved it, we would do our best to do our part. A joint session of these groups has just been concluded with some of the finest Baptist spirit, and the Spirit of the Lord in evidence, we have witnessed. We felt we could count on Mississippi Baptist pastors as the real generals in this campaign, else we would not have accepted the responsibility. We write you at the start.

The same general organization will be continued and expanded, looking toward the consummation and completion of the campaign. Plans for giving will be in general as follows: Special (large) gifts committee with Dr. R. B. Gunter as chairman; cash; Mississippi College Co-operative Program allocations will go into the campaign; bona fide pledges; church budgets; Baptist Foundation; follow-up offerings, First Sunday in April, 1946; envelope offering and a special offering in June, which is Christian Education month.

The purpose of this letter is three-fold. First, to acquaint you with the general plan, and it will not more surprise you than it surprised me. Second, as now is budget making time, we would urge you to lead your church in placing the largest amount possible in your 1946 budget. Naturally this is not to take place of special over and above offerings, and, third, to announce a schedule of meetings for week after next. Please plan to attend one of these meetings, bringing some of your church folks and getting others to come. Drs. Nelson, Gunter and myself will be there. We will always give you facts in the development of this campaign.

Mississippi College is a great institution. Here we train our preachers and many of our laymen. We would miss much without it.

For anybody to say this campaign cannot succeed is, in my opinion, if true, to write "finis" to any other institutional campaign that might be projected.

Mississippi Baptists are on the march! "Like a mighty army moves the Church of God." Let's keep it that way! Mississippi Baptists have the habit of succeeding! Luke 14:25-35.

Blessings upon you.

Yours in service

D. A. McCALL.

#### MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE LIFE

Mississippi Baptists have some great institutions!

Mississippi College is easily one of our greatest institutions! It trains the majority of our preachers! It trains many of our laymen—young men and young women! It is an institution with a rich historical background! It is an institution of cherished Christian ideals! Many stalwarts have been found among the faculty members, past and present! Its halls are hallowed in the memories of multitudes of alumni!

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE IS NOW IN THE MIDST OF AN INTENSIVE CAMPAIGN FOR \$637,500 for buildings and endowment. Mississippi College needs the help of the preachers trained in her class rooms! Mississippi College needs the financial support of every alumnus, and friend!

Items in the campaign total are:	
Administration Building	150,000
Girls' Dormitory	150,000
Patterson Memorial—Chair of Bible and Evangelism	100,000
Provine Memorial—Chair of Chemistry	100,000
Aven-Latimer Memorial—Chair of Ancient Languages	100,000
Library (cash already in hand)	37.500

A little over \$200,000 of this amount has been paid or pledged. Most of it has been paid and a few bona fide pledges are outstanding.

Each of the 1,600 Mississippi Baptist Churches should put a substantial amount for this purpose in the 1946 church budget. Every Mississippi Baptist should make a substantial contribution to this cause.

### SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS PASTORS AND LAYMEN URGED TO ATTEND

Monday—December 3—9:30 a. m., Yazoo City, First Baptist Church. Monday—December 3—2:30 p. m., Drew, First Baptist Church. Monday—December 3—7:30 p. m., Batesville, First Baptist Church.

Tuesday—December 4—9:30 a. m., Booneville, First Baptist Church. Tuesday—December 4—2:30 p. m., West Point, First Baptist Church. Tuesday—December 4—7:30 p. m., Winona, First Baptist Church.

Wednesday—December 5—9:30 a. m., Louisville, First Baptist Church. Wednesday—December 5—2:30 p. m., Forest, First Baptist Church. Wednesday—December 5—7:30 p. m., Meridian, First Baptist Church.

Thursday—December 6—9:30 a. m., Laurel, First Baptist Church. Thursday—December 6—2:30 p. m., Biloxi, First Baptist Church. Thursday—December 6—7:30 p. m., Picayune, First Baptist Church.

Friday—December 7—9:30 a. m., Tylertown, First Baptist Church. Friday, December 7—2:30 p. m., Meadville, First Baptist Church. Friday—December 7—7:30 p. m., Magee, First Baptist Church.

The immediate success of the Mississippi College Enlargement Campaign we feel will depend upon a generous attendance at each of these meetings. Questions will be asked and answered and all pertinent matters discussed. The meeting should last for one and one-half hours, and certainly not more than two hours. Therefore, we must start PROMPTLY!

D. A. McCall, general director, D. M. Nelson, president, Mississippi College, and R. B. Gunter, chairman, special gifts committee, will be present in each of these meetings.

We hope that pastors, deacons, Sunday school, Training Union, Missionary Societies and Brotherhood leaders, as well as members, will be present in this series of meetings. Mississippi College trains our sons and daughters. Let us give them the best of advantages!

D. A. McCall, General Director

D. M. Nelson President, Mississippi College T. M. Hederman, President Board of Trustees Greek L. Rice, Trustees' Representative
R. B. Gunter, Chairman Special Gifts Committee
A. L. Goodrich, Publicity Director

J. A. Trawis, Promotional Director

#### A OPEN LETTER TO OUR OWN-THE SOUTHERN BAPTISTS

Dear Fellow Servants of our Lord;

Some years ago Alaska was allocated to the Northern Baptists as a missionary territory by the Federal Council of Churches. Northern Baptists, in turn, gave up their rights here to the Presbyterians and went no further than establishing one small church in Kodiak and an orphanage supported by the ladies' work of the Northern Baptists.

All Baptist work then stopped in Alaska until a Southern Baptist chaplain, Maj. Aubrey Halsell, started a work in our own city here. As a result of his efforts we now have our church here, a mission in Fairbanks and other Southern Baptists here ready to serve. We have some news of a church starting in Juneau. Baptist work is going ahead in Alaska despite many efforts made to hinder it. GOD IS BLESSING THE WORK. WHY SHOULD OUR PEOPLE HES-ITATE TO SANCTION THAT WHICH GOD HAS SANCTIONED WITH HIS HOLY SPIRIT IN POWER AND RE-

Our Home Mission Board agreed to help us with the work in Alaska if there was no objection from the Home Mission Society of the Northern Baptists. That society, so I am informed, wrote to our Home Mission Board and said that they were going to take care of the work in Alaska. We have not seen them. We have had no word from them, and while we wait for someone in some office somewhere to make up their minds all the sects and gospel perverting teachers of every creed are moving in with a substitute gospel.

We are not afraid to be plain. Our friends of the Northern Convention have some practices that we do not agree with. Many of their oldest churches have withdrawn from their fellowship because of the modernism evident in their own work and the work of the Federated Council with which they cooperate. We could not associate ourselves with them without surrendering some of the principles and beliefs of our message and practice. WE WILL NOT AND CAN NOT MAKE ANY CONCESSION TO THAT WHICH WE BELIEVE TO BE CON-TRARY TO THE TEACHING OF THE WORD OF GOD. There is no desire on our part to discount any Baptist work but we must be plain in our

We can, without surrendering one single cherished belief, associate ourselves with Southern Baptists. We belong to you, whether you will receive us or not. You are not our cousins, our friends, but our brothers in every belief and practice. I BE-LIEVE THE BAPTIST WORK IN ALASKA WILL SUFFER WITHOUT THE AID OF OUR OWN PEOPLE FROM WHENCE WE CAME. WE MUST EITHER BE SOUTHERN BAP-TISTS OR INDEPENDENT BAP-TISTS.

We do not wish to cause any dissention. We just wish to state our

If our boards cannot officially help us, there is nothing to keep the churches of the South from helping us as individual units. One church, West Memphis Baptist Church of West Memphis, Ark., sends a monthly gift for the work here.

"Come over and help us," is our

#### ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONARY CHINESE OFFICER HOPES HAS FINE RECORD

The associational missionary in Union county for the four months in which he served had a very fine report. H. H. Ward, who recently assumed the leadership in the Union county work, in his report to the annual meeting of the association gave some challenging accomplishments. He expressed his happiness at the fine reception given him and stated in part:

The district association is an effective, edifying and promotional agency. It is possible for every one of the more than 25,000 churches to be represented in the associational meeting. Thus these units of co-operation provide possible means of disseminating information regularly to all the churches. The association is the second unit of Baptist life. A Baptist church does not surrender its sovereignty by its relationship to the district association or to any other body, but comes voluntarily into this relationship and may dissolve its connection in the same manner. However for the promotion of the co-operative work Baptists have found that it is of the greatest importance for the churches to work together.

Our leaders have given us a great program. But some ask: "How are we going to get it into every church?" Today they are thinking the associational approach is the answer. The policy of your assocational missionary has been, and will continue to be to work through and with the pastor or not at all. It is my sincere desire that my position and relationship to the association with its several organizations shall be identical to that of the pastor and the local church with its different organizations. The success of our associational program depends on our willingness to work and to work together. Our scriptural authority is, "And ye shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Many have said, "I believe in beginning at home." Surely this is our opportunity to do just that and to work together.

The three major purposes of the district association are: fellowship, conferences and co-operative service. Below is a report of the work done during four months:

Sermons preached, 82; Vacation Bible schools, 5; study courses, 7; addresses, 18; professions of faith, 26; additions by letter, 9; revival meetings, 3; tracts delivered, 2,000; homes visited, 225; associational meetings, 3; Sunday school enlargement campaigns, 2; Sunday schools organized, 2; Training Unions organized, 2; attended Sunday School Clinic in Nashville; total number of people attending services, 7,200. -BR-

If you have not sent your offering to the orphanage for Thanksgiving it is not too late to do so now.

"The fields are white unto har-

vest." The church in Anchorage will be in a position to carry all her load soon. Already we have sent goodly sums to the mission in Fairbanks. We can expand the work. We have the men and the field already here. A great opportunity and an open door present a great service to Southern Baptists.

WHAT WILL YOU DO ABOUT IT? -Felton H. Griffin, pastor, First Baptist Church, Anchorage, Alaska.

(Editor's note: This letter from Pastor Griffin is passed on to Mississippi Baptists in keeping with his desire that his position be made clear, and that the great-needs may be made known.)

### TO BE A CHRISTIAN

At a regular weekly social in the First Baptist Church, Biloxi, recently, there were among those present, about a dozen Chinese soldiers who are in training at Keesler Field, who entered into the games with enthusiasm. During the closing devotional I presented the plan of salvation, using the blackboard. Following the social the Chinese soldiers and I were invited into the home of our pastor and his wife, Rev. and Mrs. G. C. Hodge. While there Gertrude Mc-Calip, an instructor at Keesler Field, presented copies of the New Testament to each of the Chinese. One of them, a lieutenant colonel in the Chinese army, serving in Keesler Field as an interpreter, came to me and asked if I would "show him how to believe." He agreed to come into my office for a conference.

Yen came on schedule time, eager to hear about Christianity. He said the present generation of China has no religion, and he is at present studying the different religions of the world. Some of the questions he asked me were:

"If all people are Christian who say they are, why don't they live like the New Testament teaches?" "Why are there so many denominations?" "How do you reconcile science with the Old Testament?" "What is the relation of your church with the pope?" "Is your church a separate and independent organization?"

When asked if he would like to become a Christian he answered

#### HISTORICALLY SPEAKING

Calling all associational clerks! This is an urgent reminder that our associational minute files in the historical collection in the Mississippi College Library need to be brought up to date. Please send a copy of the 1945 minutes to the library as soon as your printers get them off the press. It would be better to send two or three copies, so that I can send the extras to other historical collections throughout the nation who keep writing to me to send them the duplicates. We need to fill our files first, before sending them out of the state. And also send all the copies of former years, so that we can get a complete file.

Thanks.

J. L. BOYD, Custodian -BR-

Southside church, Oklahoma City, L. B. Cobb, pastor, held a ground breaking ceremony, Sunday, November 4, on the new site of the educational unit in the church building program. (Editor's note: Dr. Cobb was formerly pastor at

"Yes," but added that it was "such a big thing, such a great decision to be made, that he must have time to think it through." Then he said, "When I have chosen a religion I shall be true to that one religion."

Yen is a graduate of the largest university in China. Pray with us that he will accept Jesus as his Savior and go back to China and lead his people to Christ.-Elizabeth Pickering, hostess, First Baptist Church, Biloxi, Mississippi.

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#### ARIZONA BAPTISTS SEEK FINANCIAL AID

The state secretaries of Arizona, New Mexico and California have joined in an earnest plea for help in establishing Southern Baptist work in the west. The statement declares that 47 new churches had been organized this past year, and that there are more than 100 churches without buildings now. They are asking the W. M. U. of the South to help in allocating a sum of money to be administered through the proper channels for the erecting of houses of worship so badly needed. Below we quote from several descriptions of actual situations:

We organized a church at Kingman, Arizona, a city of 6,000 population in the gold district, a ranch country, and tourist trade center. This city has never had a Baptist church and it took us a year to get a pastor on the field. We now have Rev. T. T. Reynolds serving as pastor. They have meeting in a lodge hall. The cheapest lot available costs \$6,000. It will cost another \$10,000 to erect a house of worship. This church is pleading for help.

The church at Mesa is four months old and now has 40 members, with a seminary graduate on the field as pastor, Rev. Eugene Slone. This is a city of 10,000 population and it is the second largest Mormon city of the west. They have purchased a downtown location, which cost \$10,000 and they have raised half of the purchase price. They need \$15,000 with which to erect the first unit of the house of worship.

The church at Globe serves three mining towns, with a population of 20,000. It is nine months old and has 100 members. Rev. Wiley Henton is the pastor. They have outgrown their present place. A lot is being contracted for, which will cost \$5,000, and it will take from \$10,000 to \$20,000 to erect the first unit of a house of worship.

Our church at Florence is the first Baptist church in this county seat town and home of the state penitentiary. Fifteen hundred people live in the city with two large government relocation camps near by. Rev. H. H. Summers is the pastor and they are worshiping in a small building, which cost them \$1,5000, but is entirely inadequate. They were forced to build in order to have a place of worship. One of our fine laymen was severely persecuted because of his cooperation in starting this

The North Tucson Baptist Church serves a district of 10,000 people. Dr. Andrew J. Priest, a former lawyer, is the aggressive pastor. His church has 50 members and is only three months old. They can purchase a suitable lot for \$4,000, but need \$20,900 for the first unit of a house of worship.

We have just recently organized a church in Flagstaff, a city of 7,500, the home of one of our state colleges. It is a resort center and timber section. ev. John L. Alexander is the pastor. A suitable location will cost \$12,000 besides the cost of the building upon the lot.

Thirty days ago, we organized a church at Wellton, with fourteen members. They had 64 in Sunday school last Sunday and our Baptist church is the only religious influence in that town of 400 people. They are meeting in a community building.

Our churches at Eloy, San Simon, Wickenburg, and Henshaw, Phoenix, are now in building programs. They are not able to erect adequate buildings due to their limitations.

Dr. Chester M. Savage of Sylvester, Ga., and formerly pastor at Union, has accepted the pastorate of Woodland Hills church, Atlanta, Ga.



Blue Mountain, Miss., Nov. 13-Miss Martha Hollis, Derma, who has been elected queen of the Euzelian Society at Blue Mountain College.

### **Hawaiian Revival Touches**

The Olivet Baptist Church in Honolulu, Victor Koon, pastor, has just experienced a remarkable revival in which there were 82 additions during the eight days. Chaplain Neal Ellis, USNR, was the preacher, and his messages reached people of many nations. Among those sharing in the blessing of the revival were Chinese, Korean, Japanese and Hawaiian people. Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Rowland of Atlanta, Ga., had charge of the music. Service men from many states assisted in the revival. At the close, when a love offering was made to the revival leaders, they gave it to the building fund of the church and led others to give, so that a total of almost \$2,000 was raised in cash and

#### Wealthy Georgia Businessman Leaves Fortune To Baptists

Macon, Ga. - (RNS) - Columbus Roberts, one of Georgia's wealthiest civic, religious and cultural leaders, has bequeathed the bulk of his personal fortune to the Georgia Baptist Foundation, it was disclosed in a surprise announcement at the Georgia State Convention here.

Roberts, retired Columbus, Ga., business executive, and long a leader and philanthropist in Baptist activities, said that "every penny" of the preferred stock that he had retained as his own when he turned his business over to his children would go to the Foundation.

The prominent Georgian made the unscheduled announcement during the report of Dr. Arthur Jackson, Atlanta, executive secretary of the

### Doctor Says Booze Runs Capital Angry Congressman Deny It

Washington-Dr. Michael M. Miller, ing with Americans." St. Elizabeth Mental Hospital psychiatrist who is pioneering a new type clinic for alcoholics, contended Sunday night that alcohol is a damaging factor in American legislation and

Miller, neither a prohibitionist nor a teetotaler, charged in an interview that too many congressmen are not moderate in their drinking habits; that a few are definite alcoholics and that some are borderline cases.

"Alcohol is a major factor in Congress and exercises a most damaging effect on legislation," he said.

He also charged that the state department and the United States diplomatic corps are "stuffy with drunks," and that foreign embassies find liquor to be "the most potent weapon in foreign policy when deal-

### Offering Asked For Truett-Scarborough Memorial

To perpetuat the memory of these beloved servants of God and man, their friends will erect in the center of the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary campus, Fort Worth, Texas, a library and administration building. This building will be known as the Truett-Scarborough Memorial, and will cost \$750,000, most of which

Friends in Mississippi are being asked to give only \$10,000 of the \$175,000 necessary for the erection of

G. C. Hodge, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Biloxi, was chosen by the Southwestern Alumni Association in Mississippi to serve as chairman of the fund in this state.

Chairman Hodge, believing that all who knew Dr. Truett and Dr. Scarborough will want to have a part in erecting this memorial, is requesting every church in Mississippi to make a Christmas love offering during the coming holiday season, and give it to this fund.

This plan for raising the \$10,000 asked of friends in Mississippi has the hearty approval of the Executive Committee of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board and of the Southwestern Alumni Association.

Particular amounts or quotas for individual churches are not being suggested. We are merely asking that in every church in Mississippi, at some service during the month of December, a free will love offering be made to the Truett-Scarborough Memorial Fund.

Let every church send all the money received to Dr. D. A. McCall. Baptist Building, Jackson, Mississippi, stating what it is for. Send a postal card to G. C. Hodge, 820 West Jackson Street, Biloxi, Mississippi, stating the amount the church gave.

Georgia Baptist Foundation.

"This is my money and I know where I want it to go," said the tall, soft-spoken leader who only recently contributed several hundred thousand dollars to help carry out post-war proposals of the Convention.

"The 'inebriating impulse' is a prerequisite for the state department and the diplomatic corps," he said.

His views were promptly and vigorously challenged by members of Congress. They generally labelled his remarks as "grossly untrue." The state department made no immediate

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE November 25, 1945

	more.	22 7 6
Louisville	369	123
Crystal Springs	475	154
Crowder	140	149
First church, Jackson	1,009	246
Griffith Memorial, Jackson	527	272
Calvary, Jackson	1,058	307
Northside, Jackson	148	91
Daniel, Hinds county	180	84
New Albany, First		261
Liberty	164	
West Laurel	419	142
Vicksburg, First	557	224
Carmel Lawrence county	100	100
Hattiesburg, Main Street	530	208
Raleigh	91	
Beulah, Jones county	75	55
Kreole	55	43
Lumberton	227	49
Summit	137	113
Ackerman	120	54
Batesville	171	58
Bruce	209	47
Newton	243	65
Beaumont		41
Brookhaven, First	497	96
Liberty Hill, Panola county	119	62
Batesville	74	70
Olive Branch	67	
Center, Union county	99	84
Brooklyn	88	38
Summerland	65	
Decatur, Clarke-Venable	155	77
Wellman, Lincoln county	56	65
Wallerville	83	58
Ellison Ridge, Winston county	127	128
Houlka, Chickasaw county	64	35
Cross Roads, Webster county	77	
West Point	351	113
Agricola	89	73
D 1	97	74
Byram, Hinds county	55	65
Jackson, Parkway	467	175
November 18, 1945		
Decatur, Clarke-Venable	277	116
Agricola	86	85
Friendship, Pike county	141	114
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Apex, N. C .- (RNS)-Rural Baptist pastors of North Carolina have called for a greater voice in the affairs of the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. pointing out that no rural pastor has served as president of the State Convention since 1904 and calling for an end to the policy of "participation without representation." In a report just issued, a special committee for the study of rural churches states that rural pastors represent 80 per cent of the Baptist churches in the state, and recommend the creation of a research department and the appointment of a full-time field worker whose duties will be to study the needs and conditions of the rural churches.

Seven, of the pastors of the Jackson County Baptist Association met in the home of Rev. J. F. Brock, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Moss Point, on Nov. 5, 1945, for the purpose of organizing a pastors' conference. The conference will meet at 10 a. m. on Monday following the first Sunday of each month at the First Baptist Church of Pascagoula .- Rev. A. V. Haggard, Wade. president; C. R. Haire, Pascagoula, secretary-treasurer.

### GOING PLACES

A. L. GOODRICH

Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL."
Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subscribe."



DR. MARK LOWRY
WESSON IS NUMBER 792

Wesson church, Dr. Mark Lowry, pastor, recently adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of The Baptist Record and thereby becomes number 792 on the EVERY FAMILY list.

The pastor, Dr. Mark Lowry, who was recently discharged from the chaplaincy of the armed service is a long-standing friend of The Baptist Record. Upon his release he lost no time in suggesting the EVERY FAMILY Plan to his deacons. And as usual they unanimously adopted it.

Copiah county now has Record readers listed as follows: BETHEL 45, CARPENTER 28, COUNTY LINE 29, CRYSTAL SPRINGS 317, GALLMAN 27. GALILEE 15, Gatesville 6, HAR-MONY 50, GEORGETOWN 41, HOPE-WELL 30, HAZLEHURST 109, NEW PROVIDENCE 21, NEW ZION 55, PINE BLUFF 35, Missien Hill 1, PIL-GRIM'S REST 39, PLEASANT HILL 33. POPLAR SPRINGS 24, ROCK-PORT 3 (smallest EF church in Mississippi), SARDIS 39, SHADY GROVE 49, SPRING HILL 60, STRONG HOPE 51, WESSON 88, SMYRNA 20, Damascus 13, Antioch 17, SLYVARENA 43.

### LEXINGTON

Although pastorless, the church at Lexington is carrying on in a worthy way. All the organizations are functioning as if a pastor were at the helm.

We supplied on a recent Sunday and preached to two good congregations. And to add to the day's pleasure, had the privilege of being a guest in the home of Prof. and Mrs. W. B. Kenna.

Holmes county Record readers are now listed as follows: Central 1, CRUGER 23, DURANT 134, Ebenezer 1, Emory 10, GOODMAN 34, HORSE-SHOE 18, LEXINGTON 109, PICKENS 35, PLEASANT RIDGE 35, TCHULA 31, WEST 28, MT. PLEASANT 48, HARLAND'S CREEK 34.

Rev. J. V. Wilson and Old Cumberland church, Webster county, recently helped The Baptist Record toward the 52,000 mark by sending a nice club of subscriptions. Mrs. Zera McGee is the treasurer.

#### WOMAN EXPLAINS DELAY Pastor Gets Cornered

No charges are being made nor is any particular person in mind, but the letter quoted below explains why some churches do not have The Baptist Record. Nine of ten churches that do not have it would do something about it if an opportunity were given.

The letter follows: Dear Mr. Goodrich:

Inclosed you will find a money order for \$—— for the renewal of ——'s Record. Sorry it is so late, but Bro.—— never would think to bring it up, so last night I hemmed him up so he wouldn't forget.

Yours in Christ,
Mrs. —

Rev. H. A. Johnson of Waynesboro recently sent a nice club of subscriptions from Eucutta church, Wayne county. Friends like Pastor Johnson have helped The Baptist Record reach its present high mark in circulation—more than 51,000 weekly.

### WELLS STARTS WELL

Rev. Zeno Wells, who became full time pastor of Silver Creek church, Pike county, has already led his church to make The Baptist Record a part of its program. He has already sent a list of 32 subscriptions and Silver Creek now has 34 Record readers.

Pike county Record readers are now listed as follows: Bluff Springs 8, Bala Chitto 9, BOGUE CHITTO 15, Central 10, EAST MCCOMB 323, FERNWOOD 50, FRIENDSHIP 24, HOLMESVILLE 30, MCCOMB FIRST 781, MAGNOLIA 127, Mt. Zion 3, OSYKA 85, Progress 4, SILVER CREEK 34, SOUTH SIDE MCCOMB 96, SUMMIT 92, TANGIPAHOA 80, THOMPSON 16, SILVER SPRINGS 55, TERRY'S CREEK 68, UNION 39, JOHNSTON STATION 36, Navilla 1.

#### FIRST CHURCH, JACKSON

We preached for Dr. Hewitt at the evening hour on October 7. And even though our coming had been announced, there was a good crowd in attendance. There were two additions.

During the past year there were 359 additions; \$50,60 was given for current expenses and the building fund; \$55,273 for missions and benevolences; \$10,461 designated gifts; total contributions \$116,335. The present church membership is 4,437.

Recently we were invited by Dr. Hewitt to assist in ordaining some deacons. We delivered the charge and Rev. H. H. Webb led the ordaining prayer. Those ordained were Harry Coleman, W. R. Newman, Jr., E. E. Laird and Cecil Travis.

Record readers in Hinds county are now listed as follows: BEULAH 47, BETHESDA 49, BOLTON 25, BYRAM 18, CALVARY JACKSON 995, Chapel Hill 22, Clinton 234, Daniels 61, Davis Memorial 121, EDWARDS 30, GRIFFITH MEMORIAL 398, JACKSON FIRST 813, LEARNED 17, NORTHSIDE JACKSON 152, Palestine 7, PARKWAY 399, POCAHONTAS 23, RAYMOND 62, SOUTHSIDE JACKSON 60, UTICA 71, NEW HAVEN 19, MT. MORGAN 14, VAN WINKLE 119, TERRY 85, SALEM 31, SIWELL 38, MIDWAY 10.

The Baptist Record is thankful to Rev.
W. C. Hamilton of Tishomingo for a nice club of subscriptions.



### **Brotherhood Department**

J. H. Street, Secretary

Brotherhood Program for 1946

We present this week a statement of the proposed program for Brotherhood activities for the year 1946. In the message sent out by Mr. Lawson H. Cooke with the program, Mr. Cooke says, "A southwide program covering, as it does, 25,000 churches of varying needs and conditions, must, of necessity, be general in statement. The details of its promotion and application will be left to the local areas and individual churches."

I. Soul-Winning

Last year, 1945, was the greatest soul-winning year in the history of Southern Baptists. God wrought mightly through our Centennial Evangelistic Crusade.

But 1946, and not 1945, will be the testing year. In 1946, Southern Baptists will be confronted with the danger of losing much of the evangelistic zeal and soul-winning enthusiasm of the previous year. There will be a tendency toward a cooling-off period; a letdown on the part of many; a gradual applying of the evangelistic brakes. There will be the danger of thinking that the job has been finished, so we can sit back in our easy chair and take a rest.

Soul-winning has always been the main task of a Christian and a church, and always will be. Our Lord intends it to be so. Southern Baptists must ever keep the emphasis at this point. Last year's achievement must be considered as only a beginning of greater things to follow.

We must continue, and with increasing frequency, to have special evangelistic meetings in our churches. Extension meetings in public halls, under brush arbors, and in every appropriate place must be carried on with a greater determination. We must go into the homes of lost people; into their offices and shops.

To such a program of soul-winning during 1946, the Brotherhoods pledge their vigorous and unceasing support.

### II. More Doctrinal Preaching and Teaching

While there has been an unprecedented increase in church membership, there is a deplorable lack of understanding and appreciation of Baptist doctrines among Southern Baptists—old and new. One would be surprised by the answers which would be given to the simple question, "Why are you a Baptist?" Yet it would seem to be of primary importance that a man should understand the underlying doctrines of the church and denomination to which he belongs.

The stability and strength of the denomination is in proportion to our uncompromising position regarding our doctrines. If Southern Baptists do not believe something that no other religious group believes, then there would seem to be no legitimate reason for a separate denominational existence. But Southern Baptists do have distinctive doctrines, and because of this there can be no unionism without a fatal denominational compromise.

The men of our Brotherhoods will urge that, during 1946, our pastors and teachers address themselves more seriously and more frequently to the

presentation of great fundamental Baptist doctrines. A series of doctrinal sermons during the year would do much toward strengthening our church and denominational life.

III. Worship Services

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It is extremely important that serious and immediate consideration be given to the worship services of our churches. Our pastors may sit up all night preparing their sermons, and pour out their hearts in preaching those sermons, but they will not preach them to many lost people unless we laymen put those lost people into the church services. While the attendance upon the Sunday morning worship service is holding up very well, and in many churches has increased, in very few church will it represent forty per cent of the resident membership; not twenty-five per cent of the men of our churches attend this service. The evening worship service is very poorly attendedwhile ninety-five per cent of the members of the average church are never seen in the mid-week prayer meeting. The Brotherhood believes that all of these worship services are vital to the life of our churches, and, during 1946, will throw ourselves fulllength into the task of increasing the attendance upon all of them, with particular emphasis upon the Sunday evening service and the mid-week prayer meeting.

#### IV. Finances

No enterprise, religious or otherwise, can travel faster or farther than its financial support will carry it. Sometimes we do not travel as fast or as far as we might because we travel too cheaply.

Not one agency or institution of the denomination is adequately financed. By this, is meant that it is not financed to a point where it can take advantage of present unprecedented opportunities. Financially, they are all undernourished.

The responsibility for financing our work rests largely upon the men of our churches. It is the men who have the money, and, at the present time, they have it in unparalleled volume.

The Baptist Brotherhood of the South, with the associated Brotherhoods in the states, proposes to vigorously and continuously promote interest in the Co-operative Program—the basic plan for financing our denominational work—until every church of the convention, and every individual in every church, has been given the privilege of participating in financing the efforts of Southern Baptists to send the gospel of our Lord to the uttermost part of the earth.

South Laurel church had a successful revival November 4-11, resulting in 12 additions, six of whom were by profession of faith. John Hill of Union was the guest preacher. At the morning services he taught the book of Malacht V. Bassett led the singing in a great way. We recommend these men. Offerings are growing, having increased \$19 one Sunday and \$30 the next.—J. M. Foy, pastor.

Crowder: An offering of \$89.42 was taken on November 25 for the Baptist Orphanage. During the preceding week an offering of cash and produce was made.—Loyd Shelton, pastor.

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#### Mississippi College Annual Off Press

Clinton, Miss., Nov. 22-The Tribesman, annual yearbook of the students of Mississippi College is just off the press and copies are being delivered to the students by the staff.

The 1945 edition is dedicated to Dr. Howard E. Spell, professor of Bible. In the dedication Dr. Spell is affectionately spoken of as "Man of God, humble yet bold, scholar and master, vet student, preacher of the Word and prince of a fellow." The dedication further states that "Mississippi College is great not simply out of a newly born present because she is made up of great human souls, and one of the finest of these is our own Dr. Spell."

The editors express their "gratitude to the student body for their loyal patronage, to the faculty for their willingness to cooperate, to Dr. Thompson for his help with the group pictures, to Miss Eileen Ferguson for her encouragement and help, to Miss Margaret Bibb for her splendid help in the art scheme of the book, and to Dr. Nelson, our noble president, for his devotion to Mississippi College and boosting of every effort to portray the greatness of the school."

The Tribesman staff includes Woodrow Clark, Neshoba, Miss., editor; Orman Knight, Clarkesville, Ga., associate editor; Betty Wren Breeland, Tylertown, assistant editor; John Vandercook, Alexander, Ark., navy editor; Ellis Griffith, Prentiss, business manager; Percy Magee and Colbert Dudley, of Jackson, assistant managers, and Mabel Gardner, Louin, typist.

### By Dr. Jeff D. Day

Ten Don'ts for the Pulpit

1. Don't snort. If the nose needs blowing, perform the operation gently noiselessly, and don't examine the

2. Don't yell. All your hearers are on this side of the street. Noise is a poor substitute for ideas.

3. Don't make a figure four of your legs, as you sit in the pulpit, by planting the ankle of the right leg on the knee of the left or vice versa. Such a performance is not only ungraceful

4. Don't put the hands in the trous-

pulpit. A dark suit, a white shirt, col-



Religious News Service Photo in Russia, addressing the session.

Southern Baptists will rejoice to see this official photograph of a group of Baptists and Evangelicals in Moscow, with Chairman Y. N. Zhidkov, one of the Baptist leaders

lar and handkerchief will evoke no

remarks. The best dressed man in

the pulpit or anywhere else in the

United States is the man whose

clothes do not call attention to

6. Don't scold absentees. You are

paid a salary to preach to those who

come to hear you not to abuse those

who prefer to stay away, or are provi-

dentially kept away. See them later

7. Don't brag. Your bragging about

your achievements or making an at-

mosphere that will proclaim them is

reprehensible even though you apol-

ogize for the display of bad taste with

the pious camouflage. If you have

achieved unusual success let somebody

else portray it without any adroit

connivance from you and even if no-

body tells what notable things you

have wrought I think you will live over

8. Don't whine. You may think your

road is rough, but with most of your

congregation it is much worse. You

are put in that pulpit to help people

and your doleful doldrums will not

help anybody, not even yourself. The

people out there will trust and follow

the preacher who knows how to "take

9. Don't be a snob. The surest way

to lose the good will and respect of

your leading men, if they are men

whose good will is worth having, is to

fawn on them and to kotow to them

10. Don't say "set" when you mean

"sit" and "lay when you mean "lie,"

and "will" when you mean "shall." If

you have no grammar sell your golf

sticks and buy one.-The Quarterly

If you have not yet made your ship-

ment of food, clothing, supplies and

other commodities for the Baptist Or-

phanage, it is not too late. Anything will

be handled free of charge by all rail-

roads through December 6. If you failed

to get your shipment ready at the time

suggested by your committee, please

bear in mind it is not too late to make

J. Thurman Williams, 1100 W. Cannon

street. Fort Worth 4, Texas, is available

for revivals in the spring and summer.

He is a gospel singer and can begin

as early as March 4, 1946. For refer-

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Brother Zhidkov recently wrote Dr. Louie D. Newton, chairman of the Southern Baptist Convention Kit Committee, thanking him, and through him, the Baptists of the South for the kits sent and the others promised. Southern Baptists send their kits through Russian Re-

### God Hears Prayer Anytime

By Malcolm Hudnall

God will hear a just prayer in time of war, as He does in days of peace, and heaven is as near by sea as by

By prayer our petitions are borne to God, and if our hearts are in the proper attitude we may rest assured that our petition will not be denied.

A just prayer is one in which our hearts are purged of selfishness, wherein we sincerely and humbly offer ourselves for God's disposal. That is the only effective manner in which we may commune with God.

Some people have lost all touch with God, because they think of prayer as an empty ritual or ceremony to be performed solely in a church. "The prayers of the righteous availeth much." Prayer is an affair of the individual heart.

One of the saddest events of all time occurred when the disciples would not "watch one hour," while their Lord went off to pray.

He felt the weight of the sins of the world, His sweat "was as drops of blood" and He gave us the perfect example of the humility of spirit, vitally necessary in perfect prayer; "If it be Thy will, take this cup from me, but Thy will, not mine be done."

Our grandmothers have told us of the custom of family prayers. How tragic that heartfelt prayer has left the sanctuary of millions of hearts!

Out of the war arose the maxim, "There are no atheists in foxholes." Many of us will never enter a foxhole but we will meet crises along life's highway.

How happy all would be if each would get right with the Lord before the crises come.

Human beings have learned many things, but how to prevent the world from being bathed in blood. They need most of all to learn HOW TO PRAY.

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Mrs. J. R. Pegues recently sent a club of subscriptions from First church, Tupelo. The Baptist Record is thankful.

#### SHALL WE LIVE UP TO IT?

There can be little question about the statement above that "the Lord expects every Christian to be a soulwinner." But our supreme and difficult problem is to live up to the expectation of our crucified and risen

Of course it is not easy. It is difficult for all of us. But in calling His disciples, Christ always warned them to count the cost. "If any man will come after me let him deny himself, take up his cross and follow me." He never promised immunity from temptations and difficulties. He did promise to be with us. He was tempted in all points like we are tempted. He was nailed to a cruel cross. He knows how to sympathize with the weakest one of us, and He will give us wisdom and strength to say the word to the lost soul that needs to be said, if we will trust Him implicitly.

Without His help we dare not go afield to seek and to win the lost to Christ. First of all, we need to have a deep and abiding conviction that those who have not accepted Christ as their Saviour and Lord are lost. And the penalty for their sin is death, eternal spiritual death, which means separation from God and all that is good. The only remedy for sin, the only hope of eternal salvation, is the blood of Jesus, which cleanses from all sin. The connecting link between the sinner and the Saviour is faith; faith in His atoning blood faith in His power and willingness to save and keep through all eternity.

What a glorious privilege and opportunity is ours to bear this good news to those condemned to death on account of their sins. In Christ's name, we may deliver the pardon and if they will only believe on Him as their sin-bearer and crown Him Lord of all they will be saved. What joy unspeakable fills the heart of the soul-winner.

We regret due to the loss of a package of copy in the mail, that a number of good articles will not appear in this week's issue. We hope, however, that the package will be found so that we may publish them in next week's Record.

TEN DON'TS FOR THE PREACHER

Yes, I am flying in the face of recognized pedagogy, that teaching should be positive, not negative. But I am in good company. I am in harmony with an old document printed first on Mt. Sinai. Most of its ten paragraphs begin with "Thou shalt not" in spite of that so-called improper pedagogy it has gone quietly on down the ages, shaping the thinking of nations for about forty centuries. It will be doing business at the old stand when our present science of pedagogy has been supplanted by an entire new regime.

Since I am more interested in preachers than in pedagogy, and like them more than I do it, I wish to give, very tersely, somewhat timidly, and certainly affectionately:

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ers' pockets. You probably got the habit from the scientific fact that nature abhors a vacuum. But it is, to put it mildly, a very inelegant practice. The great Dr. Broadus characterized it as vulgar.

5. Don't wear sports clothes in the

#### Church-Related Colleges Face TITHING EXPERIENCE Greatest Boom In History

By Larston D. Farrar Religious News Service Correspondent

Washington, D. C .- The 788 churchrelated colleges and universities of the nation are facing the greatest "boom" period in their history, Dr. Gould Wickey, executive secretary of the National Commission on Christian Higher Education of the Association of American Colleges, asserted

"There seems little doubt that this fall will see a record number of students-including thousands of returned veterans-in most of the church-related colleges and universities," Dr. Wickey said, "with a noticeable increase to take place next year and for several years to come."

Certain trends brought on by the war and the millions of returning servicemen are now evident in the country's church institutions of higher education, Dr. Wickey said. These trends he listed as:

1-Development of a more extensive and intensive program of personal counsel both for veterans and students who have not been in service.

2-A greater emphasis on subjects in the field of social relations-history, sociology and economics, with particular emphasis on international

3-A greater "tie-in"-scholastically -between all classes in the college and actual world events.

4-A change in the type of personnel - more "all-around" professors than specialists.

5-A new emphasis on the actual college class facilities, with greater care to be shown in architectural beauty and class-room utility.

#### Morning Conference For Negroes Well Attended

Dr. Edward A. McDowell of the Southern Baptist Seminary in Louisville has just completed his sixth Bible conference with the First Baptist Church of Vicksburg, Dr. D. Swan Haworth, pastor. This year Dr. McDowell led in a study of the Parables of Jesus. Two sessions of the Bible conference were held daily-7 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Breakfast was served following the morning session. Dr. McDowell is a wonderful teacher and I recommend to our churches the Bible conference plant. Not only does it enable the people to go definitely into some particular phase of Bible study but it also gives to them a method of Bible study that is continously helpful.

In the mid-mornings that Dr. McDowell was in Vicksburg, he led in a conference with the Negro ministers of the area. A large number of them were in attendance.-D. Swan Haworth, pastor, First Baptist Church, Vicksburg.

Dr. M. A. Jenkins, pastor of First church, Abilene, Texas, celebrated his thirtieth anniversary on November 9. During the thirty years pastorate there have been 11,323 received into the fellowship of the church, \$1,556,924.37 has been contributed and the present membership is 4,280. From the church bulletin we quote: "We are now in our ninth year with only three Sundays not to receive members."

Miss Earline McRae, church clerk of Highland church, Tishomingo county, has recently sent a nice list of sub-

### RELATED

By Kenneth G. Hall Neshoba County Missionary

During twenty years of tithing experience the writer has finished working his way through high school, worked his way through college and the seminary, and through it all God kept His promises and wonderfully blessed.

He had just finished the first year of college at William Jewell and was spending the summer on the church field at Nelson and Arrow Rock, Missouri, when his father passed away on July 5, 1926. A mother and seven minor heirs, five girls and two boys, one of whom was barely past a year old, were left. What made it worse the father had signed notes as security for other men. Consequently he had to pay seven thousand dollars of security debts and when he could no longer pay cash, bank notes were paid. The writer had the privilege of making his father's word good in the amount of \$1,950.

The next four years after father's death were spent at home, teaching school, preaching and helping mother with the farm and business. Under such conditions the old devil tried to make him believe that it was simply impossible to tithe, but he thanks the Lord that he continued tithing and received a great blessing. During the same time his mother professed faith in Christ in a meeting which he helped conduct and he had the happy privilege of baptizing her.

September of 1930 found him married and back in college. It took two years, summer and winter, to finish but the tithes were paid. The next four years were spent in paying debts and saving money for seminary work.

The fall of 1936 found them in the seminary at Louisville, Kentucky. There church work was difficult to find and expenses went on. The wife worked much of the time and somehow God provided the way so that they were privileged to\_remain in school until both had earned their Master's degree and the writer had completed one year of work on the Th.D. degree.

Since leaving the seminary it has been a great source of joy to give much more than the tithe. Surely God has great blessings in store for every person who believes His promises and lovingly seeks to do His will. -BR-

#### **RELIGIOUS GROUP TO** 'MECHANIZE' FOREIGN MISSION ACTIVITIES

Springfield, Mo. - (RNS) - Assemblies of God, an evangelical, pentecostal body formed in 1914, plans to raise \$100,000 to "mechanize" its foreign mision activities.

The Rev. Kenneth Short, a missionary of the denomination and a pilot, said the funds would be used to buy airplanes, motorboats, jeeps, motorcycles, and other motorized equipment for use of missionaries in the foreign field.

"Already we have one amphibious plane in Africa, a seagoing cruiser in the Bahamas, a motorboat to be used along the Alaskan rivers, and a jeep

in Latin America," he added. Assembles of God has about 500 missionaries, and spends about \$1,000,-000 annually on its foreign work. Headquarters are maintained here.

### Religious Census Of Veterans Hospitals

By Larston D. Farrar Religious News Service Correspondent

Washington, D. C.-A religious census of every hospital and facility being operated by the United States Veterans Administration is being conducted by the staff of Chaplain Crawford W. Brown, chief of the chaplaincy service of the Veterans' Administration, he disclosed in an exclusive interview here.

The census, which has been under way for several months, will be used by Chaplain Brown-first chief of the veterans' chaplain service in the history of the country-to determine exactly how many chaplains will be employed in the coming months and what faiths they will represent.

"There will be one or more full-time chaplain in every veterans' hospital of 500 beds or more and a part-time chaplain in every smaller institution under our supervision," Chaplain Brown asserted.

"We want to give to our returning soldiers, who must accept government care for certain periods, the same high degree of efficient and devoted service that characterized the spiritual care they were given in the armed services."

Chaplain Brown, who was appointed during the administration of Brig. Gen. Frank T. Hines, former U. S. veterans' administrator, quickly gained an audience with Gen. Omar Bradley, new head of the Veterans' Arministration.

"I can say unequivocally that Gen. Bradley is sold on the veterans' chaplaincy service," Chaplain Brown disclosed. "He is deeply interested in the spiritual welfare of the veterans and vitally concerned about the progress of my division." -BR-

#### ATOMIC BOMB CITY CHURCH HOLD SERVICES IN FOUR PLACES

Knoxville, Tenn .- (RNS) -First Baptist Church in the "atomic bomb city" of Oak Ridge holds its services in four different places on the 59,-000-acre reservation.

The congregations meet at Glenwood school, the high school at Jackson Square, the Community Building at Gamble Valley, where there is a large concentration of trailers, and at the Robertsville school.

"We do not foster 'missions' as such, but because of the local situation each congregation is an equal branch of one church," says the Rev. W. Stuart Ryle, who came from Louisville, Ky., to be pastor. "We have a general business meeting once each month, and observe the Lord's Supper onc each quarter."

More than 2,400 have been enrolled in Sunday school, with attendance often running over 1,200. The vacation school, one of the largest in the south, had 532 enrolled with an average attendance of 475.

Not a Sunday has passed without additions to the church since Mr. Ryle became pastor 18 months ago. New members average 10 each Sunday, and more than 850 have been received.

As workers come from all parts of the United States, many keep their church membership in their home town and attend one of the Oak Ridge church's four-congregation services without joining.

### City Missions Need Stressed Church To Bear Expenses

The Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is literally "taking the church to the people," declared Dr. J. L. Aders of Birmingham, in a missionary address at the Southern Seminary. He has been superintendent of city missions for Birmingham for some time and is now to be Southwide director of city missions programs for the Board of Home Missions in cities of from 25,000 to 75,000 population.

Citing the need for such approach. he said Baptist ministers of the South have less than two per cent of the lost people of their territory in attendance at their regular Sunday services, and that Baptist and Protestant ministers together have less than five per cent of the non-Christians of the South in their regular services.

Birmingham Baptists have found the establishment of mission centers known as "branch churches" to be an effective way of reaching the unchurched, Dr. Aders said. Under this plan, he explained, Birmingham Baptist churches have sponsored the erection and operation of full-time chapels in areas of the city where large percentages of the population were without church affiliation. Twenty-seven such branches have been established. In many cases, he stated, churches have reached as many persons through their mission services as the total in the regular services of the sponsoring churches.

President Ellis A. Fuller, of the Seminary, who was for 14 years president of the Home Mission Board, spoke briefly, emphasizing the vital part the board has had in its 100 years of existence in opening new frields and establishing churches.-E. L. McDonald. -BR-

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#### IT TAKES A ROCK FOUNDATION Chris C. Cornelius

I started out to live my life In castles high and wide: To live a big life outwardly With nothing stored inside. I painted my outer walls so fine, With ivory and with gold, But in this weary heart of mine

No good could e'er be told. So fine my mansion gleamed outside, 'Twas praised by all who passed; But weak the structure it did hide-Such works can never last. What did I care so long as I

Could cover up the slime, That lay beneath these marvel walls In this poor soul of mine? But then at last my walls began To crumble down and fall, For I had no foundation,

Appearance, that was all. Now all the fast and sinful life That had inside been sealed, Was broken down, was all exposed, To all it was revealed.

They saw what I had covered up, On me sin left its mark; I saw I had through all the years

Been building in the dark. I started then to reconstruct

The ruins of my life, I tried to build a structure that Could stand through sin and strife. I chose to help me from that day,

The Father of Creation; He's by my side, yea all the way, He builded my foundation. And now my faith is reconciled, I rest in peace sublime;

I know my home is strong enough To stand the storms of time.